

Protestant-Catholic Tensions Discussed

By John J. Hurt Jr.
DENVER (BP) — Opposite views on the easing of Protestant-Roman Catholic tensions were presented to Protestants and other Americans united for separation of church and state (POAU) here.



Dr. Claude Rhea

Festival To Be Held In Coliseum

The new Mississippi Coliseum, located on the State Fairgrounds in Jackson, will be the meeting place for the annual State Baptist Youth Choir Festival to be held Feb. 23.

Fifteen hundred young people, coming from every section of the state, are expected, according to W. C. Morgan, Music Director.

Dr. Claude Rhea, Director of School of Sacred Music, New Orleans Seminary, will be the guest director.

Other participants will include Dr. Donald Winters, head of the Music Department at Wm. Carey College, Hattiesburg, at the organ, and Miss Jan Cutrell, pianist at Ridgecrest Baptist Church, Jackson, at the piano.

To Have Orchestra
Orchestra director will be Hal Polk, band director of Forest High School. Members of the orchestra, all members of First Baptist Church, Forest, are: John Townsend, Ray Johnson, Bill Huff, Jr., Larry Jones, John Huff, Royce Kelly, Jr. and Jim Thompson.

The public has been invited to attend a sacred concert by the mass choir under direction of Dr. Rhea. The concert will be held at 3:20 p.m.

Those to attend will be young people between the ages of 13 and 24. The festival will begin at 9:30 a.m. with adjournment set for 4:15 p.m.

This will be the second Mississippi Baptist meeting to be held at the Coliseum, the first having been the closing Youth Night session of the State Convention last November.

THE CHURCH—

God's Channel For Great Awakenings

By Mrs. Rosalee Mills Appleby
(Sixth of a Series)

America has erected her skyscrapers, but these have not brought us closer to "heavenly places." She has penetrated into outer space but has not discovered sufficiently that which "eye hath not seen or ear heard." She has printed her Bibles by the millions and marched on without heeding their precepts. She has built great highways and bridges without discovering the secret that would make us enjoy them. She has put up her safety signs on a thousand curves yet allowed the dangers that led to death on the television. She has bowed out better roads to physical hygiene but neglected spiritual health. She has provided innumerable comforts for transient enjoyment with too little desire for treasures in heaven.

She has exhausted every means to prolong physical existence but has been forgetful of eternal life. Her churches have been careful to teach Bible precepts without leading into the POWER that will make their practice possible. The seed and the material have

can Baptist who is executive director of the Missouri council of churches, Stuber said Vatican Council II would cause the Roman Catholic church to "Begin to prove in action that religious freedom is the right of all."

Stuber attended the opening sessions of the council. E. S. James of Dallas, editor of the Baptist Standard, disputed this forecast. The standard has the largest circulation of any Southern Baptist Convention weekly newspaper.

James declared, "Regardless of their claims of allegiance to the principle of separation, I charge today that Roman Catholicism has always been, is now and will likely always be the chief antagonist of the principle. It is contrary to her logic, her pronouncements, her polity and her plans."

Should Make Corrections
Stuber added, in support of his prediction, the Vatican Council should make "At least three basic corrections" for religious liberty, including freedom for individual interpretation of Bible, recognition of equal church membership and the "whole matter of religious liberty."

He declared, later, "Something will have to be done quickly and drastically" in the United States to "call off those who are waging a national campaign to get federal aid for parochial schools."

James criticized Roman Catholics for their bloc voting to establish political control, adding "What the hierarchy fails to get today by favorable legislation and intimidation, it hopes to get tomorrow by control of the population."

He elaborated to say "That control is being rapidly accomplished by controlled immigration and uncontrolled multiplication. While others plan size of their families she plans size of the church."

Glenn L. Archer of Washington, executive director of the organization, closed the conference with his appeal for unity in the fight to keep church and state separate.

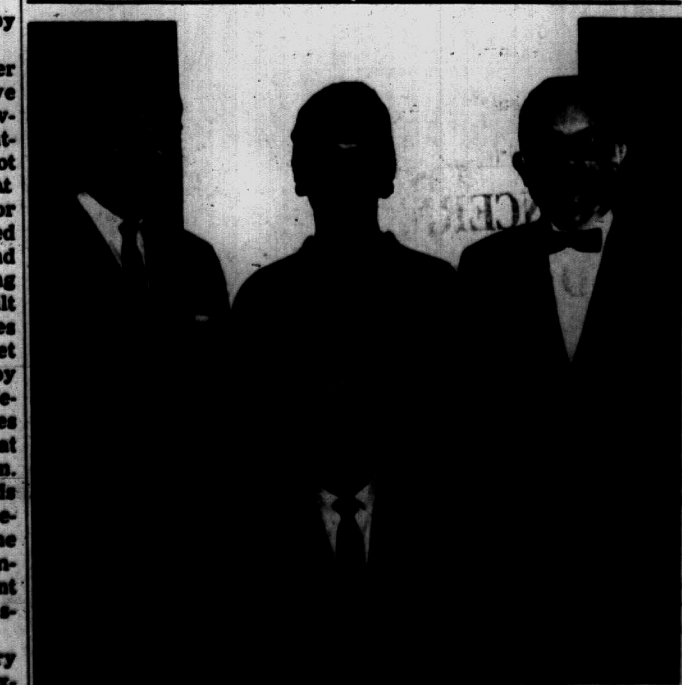
"If clericalism succeeds in America," he said, "The historic dream of a free people will die; a free conscience will perish; human rights will yield to clerical dictation and domination, and democracy will be chained to institutionalism."

Mr. Archer Adds
Added Archer: "Clericalism is a cancer on the body of the church. It asks the state for a cure which the church alone should possess. Clericalism leans upon the state for power that a God-blessed (Continued on page 2)

O. D. Morris Goes To HMB Post

ATLANTA (BP)—The Home Mission Board has added another worker to help meet an increasing national demand for its services in the field of religious surveys.

The board employed Orrin D. Morris of Jackson, Miss. as (Continued on page 2)



NEW OFFICERS ELECTED by the State Baptist Religious Education Association meeting last week at Edgewater Park, were: Horace Kerr, Jackson (seated) president, surrounded; standing, left to right, Bob Taylor, Starkville, vice-president; Mrs. Charles Alnoworth, Jackson, secretary, and Harry Barton, Greenwood, pianist. Not shown in picture: Dr. J. C. Smith, Oxford Springs, moderator. (Additional pictures on page 3)

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Gains Reported in Colombian Schools

WASHINGTON (BP) — A Baptist observer here claims that some progress is being made toward democratic educational objectives in Colombia as a result of United States foreign aid. He expressed the hope that even more encouragement could be reported in the future.

C. Emanuel Carlson, Executive Director of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, makes this evaluation of

two seemingly contradictory reports. One report says that all education in Colombia is dominated by the Roman Catholic Church. The other says that the Colombian Government is applying religious liberty guarantees to students in all schools built by United States help.

A 30-page documented report by a Protestant leader shows the extent, the ways and means by which Roman Catholic control over education is exercised in Colombia. The study was made by James E. Goff, secretary of the office of information and public relations of the Evangelical Confederation of Colombia.

In a reply to Goff the U. S. State Department says that it has been given written assurances by the Ministry of Education in Colombia against religious discrimination in schools built by U. S. and Colombian funds.

Goff's study shows that Roman Catholic control over education in Colombia is achieved through respect for Canon Law by the Government, by the terms of the Convention with the Vatican in 1886, through the treaty on Missions of 1953 and by the school regulations in Colombia's 17 departments (political divisions).

Says Reports Objective
Carlson, after careful analysis of these papers, says that he is "disposed to view both (Continued on page 2)

"Tax On Tithe" Is Hit

MONTGOMERY — J. R. White, pastor of the First Baptist Church here, said from his pulpit Feb. 3 that President Kennedy has called for a "Tax on the tithe."

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White, chairman of the Alabama Baptist State Executive Board, said, "If the President's recommendation stated in his tax message to Congress January 24 is enacted into law, this means that if the taxpayer tithes his income in contributions to the church, he will only be able to deduct one-half the tithe."

"This is," declared White, "A tax on religion."

He went further to say that "A free church in a free society is dependent for its life upon the free-will contributions of its members. These contributions must remain tax-free!"

White pointed out that Kennedy recommended a five per cent floor be established under all itemized deductions of individual taxpayers. That is to say the first five per cent of the "Net income" or "Adjusted gross income" will be taxable. No deduction for contributions, interest, or taxes will be allowable unless they exceed five per cent of the "Net income."

Sees Ultimate Plan

The Alabama minister stated, "The trend toward state support and state control already established in the farm program, in business, and in industry must not be allowed to invade the church, the private school or college, and the non-profit charity."

White concluded, "Back of this insidious suggestion is the ultimate plan to turn these necessary functions over to the state; to put all charities under government control, to nationalize education, and to establish a tax-supported church."

He urged fellow Baptists in Alabama and throughout the nation to join him in voicing such measures by opposing strong opposition through local senators and representatives.

FAMILY LIFE MEET READY FOR NASHVILLE

NASHVILLE — Three outstanding authorities on marriage and family problems will lead "Theme assemblies" during the Southern Baptist Conference on family life here Feb. 25-Mar. 1.

Sponsored by the Family Life Department of the Sunday School Board, the sessions will be held at the board, first Baptist church and at the new Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee building.

Dr. Paul Popenoe will lead an assembly on "Special Problems in Family Life." Dr. Popenoe is the founder and, for more than thirty years, director of the American Institute of family relations in Los Angeles.

Dr. Evelyn Mills Duvall, world-renowned lecturer and writer of a number of books on marriage and the family, will serve as consultant to work groups on the theme "Preparation for Christian Marriage." Dr. Duvall is author of "Facts of Life and Love," "In-laws: Pro and Con," "Art of Dating," "Being Married," "Family Development" and "When You Marry." She also writes a daily syndicated column "Let's Explore Your Mind."

Dr. David Mace, chairman of the international commission on marriage guidance will lead an assembly on "The Christian Family." Dr. Mace is president-elect of the national council on family relations. He is author of ten books on marriage and the family. The most recent, "Marriage: East and West," is based on an extensive study of marriage in the Orient.

The conference is the first on family life conducted by Southern Baptists. It is expected to draw 1,000 specially selected participants. (Continued on page 2)

Gaddy Recommended

RALEIGH (BP) — A retired Baptist division head has been nominated as acting general secretary of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina. He is Claude F. Gaddy of Raleigh, who retired in 1957 as Executive Secretary of the Convention's Council on Christian Education. (Additional pictures on page 3)



REV. L. GORDON SANSING, conference director, shows poster advertising the SBC Evangelistic Conference to several present, from left: Mr. Sansing; Dr. Warren Hultgren, Tulsa, speaker; Claude Townsend, Jackson layman, and Rev. Ira Bright, pastor of Southside Chapel, Aberdeen. (Additional pictures on page 3)

AT EVANGELISTIC CONFERENCE— Baptists Get Challenge

400-Voice Choir Set For Beirut

WASHINGTON (BP)—An in national choir of more than 400 voices is being organized for the sixth Baptist Youth World Conference at Beirut, Lebanon, July 15-21, 1963.

Baptist world alliance youth committee leaders here announced that the choir will be directed by William J. Reynolds, director of editorial services for the Church Music Department of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board.

Young people who would like to sing in the Beirut Conference choir are urged to apply immediately to Reynolds at 127 Ninth Avenue, North, Nashville 3, Tennessee. He will organize the choir by voice groups and experience through correspondence, and also will advise on music to be studied. Internationally-loved hymns will be used.

Mississippi Baptists should be well on their way by now toward reaching their 1963 evangelism goal of 22,700 if the recent State Evangelistic Conference provides the incentive that many feel it will.

Meeting at Gulfshore Assembly for the third straight year, pastors and other leaders came, they saw, they heard, they felt and as they departed they gave evidence that they intended to conquer by returning home with renewed zeal and knowledge in their efforts to win the lost.

The estimated 1200 who attended were challenged by three out-of-state visiting speakers as well as by the state leaders who had parts on the program.

With "basic evangelism" as the theme, each speaker in his own way emphasized the primacy of evangelism and the importance of getting on with the momentous task in the state.

Dr. Warren Hultgren, pastor of First Church, Tulsa, and the featured inspirational speaker, who appeared three times, declared effectively that "God wants to do something with us before He wants to do something through us."

Character More Important
Continuing, he said "Character is more important than career. He wants to do something for us before He wants us to do something for Him."

"God does not save us just to deliver us from hell or to make us His servants. God saves us and leaves us here that we might manifest the Christ-like qualities of His life."

"When God wanted to reveal Himself the first time, He did it through the Incarnation. God became flesh and dwelt among us. In the absence of the physical Christ, He is revealed in and through His Children." (Continued on page 3)

MONTANA CRUSADE SET APRIL 15-28

Seventeen Mississippi Baptist pastors and denominational leaders have been enlisted to preach in a Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusade in Montana, April 15-28.

Rev. L. Gordon Sansing, Associate Executive Secretary, who is serving as coordinator, said that others are expected to be enlisted soon.

This simultaneous pastor-led Crusade is a part of Mississippi's program of assisting the Southern Baptist work in Montana.

This will be the first Mississippi pastor-led Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusade ever conducted on a state-wide basis by Mississippi pastors out of the state.

Southern Baptist work is ten years old in Montana. During that period of time 26 churches have been organized. There are now over 2,000 Southern Baptists in the state of Montana.

Goal of 100

A goal of 100 churches and missions has been set for the second ten years of Southern Baptist work in Montana, which begins with the year of 1963.

Following is the list of Mississippi pastors and the churches in which they will serve in Montana:

Rev. Robert Carlisle, pastor Big Ridge Church, Billings; Rev. Al Finch, Calvary, Yazoo City; Rev. James Yates, First, Yazoo City; Rev. Bill Baker, Mantee; Rev. Lakeview, Baker; Rev. Otis (Continued on page 2)

Joseph Nordenhaug, general secretary of the Baptist World Alliance Sunday, will be observed by most of the 34-million Baptists in 130 countries. Church programs that day will focus attention on the world-wide fellowship of Baptists and will seek through study and prayer to forward the cause of evangelism, religious liberty and world peace in all nations. (Continued on page 3)

SBC GA Meet To Be Doubleheader

BIRMINGHAM (BP) — The first nationwide Girls' Auxiliary Convention will be a doubleheader!

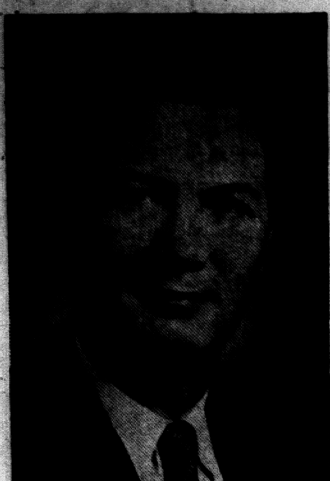
Convention No. 1 has been planned all along for June 18-20 at Memphis. Registrations ran so heavy that Woman's Missionary Union offices here have had to schedule a second meeting.

The second meeting for the girls' missionary group will begin at Memphis on June 30 and run through June 22. The same program outline will be used in the second gathering.

"We are overwhelmed with the enthusiastic response of the girls and their counselors," said Miss Betty Brewer of Birmingham, director of the girls' auxiliary department for the Southern Baptist Convention Women's Auxiliary.

"By having two conventions, we will be able to give about 12,000 girls the opportunity to be a part of the first convention-wide gathering of Girls' Auxiliary members," she continued.

Convention No. 1 will end at noon Thursday. Convention No. 2 will begin that night and carry through Saturday noon. "We have 4,000 reservations" (Continued on page 3)



Dr. Allen Graves



Miss Claudette Finley



Mrs. Robert Woody



Dr. Robert P. Crouch

NINE GUESTS TO SPEAK IN BLUE MOUNTAIN FOCUS WEEK

Focus Week at Blue Mountain College, February 18-22, will bring to her campus nine outstanding speakers and personalities, from various vocational fields of service.

There will be two assembly sessions each day, featuring one or more of the visiting team members. All morning assemblies will be held in Modena Lowrey Berry Auditorium from 9:45 until 10:30. All evening assemblies will be held at 7:00 o'clock in the same auditorium.

Dr. Wilfred C. Tyler, President of Blue Mountain College, will assist in presiding and each phase of the campus planning.

Barbara Jett, Moberly, Missouri, a Mississippi summer missionary to Hawaii, 1962, is general chairman of Focus Week arrangements.

Focus Week visiting team members will include the following:

Ed Seabough, Co-ordinator, Nashville, Tennessee, Director of Baptist Student Work, Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention; Dr. Allen W. Graves, Dean of

the School of Religious Education, Southern Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky; Earl Holloway, Minister of Music, First Church, Memphis; Mrs. J. O. Williams, Nashville, Tennessee, well-known lecturer and Christian homemaker; Mrs. John W. McCall, Memphis, an alumna of Blue Mountain College, past President of the National BMC Alumnae Association, a Christian homemaker, active in all phases of church life, mother of three children, one being a member of the current freshman class of the College; Mrs. Robert Woody, Corsicana, Texas, also an alumna of Blue Mountain College, wife of a former Blue Mountain Baptist pastor, mother of three daughters, and active in all church circles; Dr. Robert Crouch, Asheville, North Carolina, well-known private physician of General Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery; Miss Claudette Finley, Nashville, Tennessee, a graduate student of Speech Pathology, Vanderbilt University; and Rev. Bill Causey, pastor of the Poplar Springs Drive Church, Meridian.

Gains Reported

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the documentary description and the current reports as being well informed and objective.

He says that the two taken together "Seem to describe rapid progress on the part of the Colombian Government against a problem which contributed heavily to illiteracy, oppressed, and underdevelopment in this neighboring land."

"There can be little doubt," Carlson continued, "That many of the devices prescribed in 1887, or even in 1953, are now sources of major embarrassment in the climate of 1963. This embarrassment is shared by the Roman Catholic Church, by the Government of Colombia, and by the U. S. Government as it undertakes to assist the Latin American Nations become more competent in the democratic process."

The U. S. State Department reply to Goff was signed by Casper D. Green Colombia Desk Officer. The Alliance for Progress is part of the Agency for International Development, which is located in the Department of State. Green cited four specific assurances from the Colombian Government about the elimination of religious discrimination in U. S. aided schools. They are:

1. Such schools are open to all students without regard to race or religion;
2. Non-Catholic students are not compelled to attend Catholic religious instructions, masses or other strictly religious functions;
3. Textbooks are selected by a joint committee of officials from the U. S. agency for international development mission in Colombia and the ministry of education; and
4. The church has no control over the selection of teachers, nor is there a religious qualification for teachers or for admittance to normal schools.

Revival Dates

Highland, Crystal Springs: February 17-22; Rev. Percy Ray, Myrtle, evangelist; Rev. James Buie, Jackson, song leader; Rev. D. J. Benson, pastor.

O. D. Morris

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an associate secretary in the Department of Survey and Special Studies. Morris, an employee of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, has led that state in survey work for the past two years.

Survey methods developed by the board enable churches to secure information from their communities on the religious affiliation of the residents. In addition, the surveys provide information on areas which need new missions or churches. The surveys have been used for areas as small as a local church to as large as an entire state.

Morris, a native of Omaha, Neb., received most of his education in Virginia, after his family moved to Newport news. He secured degrees from Bluefield Junior College at Bluefield and at the University of Richmond. His theological degree was earned at New Orleans Seminary.

"Morris has rendered outstanding service in Mississippi in survey promotion and comes to our staff with a background of pastoral and denominational experience," said Arthur B. Rutledge of Atlanta, director of the Board's Mission Division, in announcing the addition of Morris to his staff.

He worked in Virginia with the Goodwill Center in Richmond, was a mission pastor in DeLacroix Island, La., and was pastor of D'Lo Baptist church in D'Lo Miss.

He married Margaret June Anderson, who also secured degrees from each of the three schools he attended. They have two children.

Rural Area Sunday Schools On Decline

ATLANTA (BP)—"Southern interest in Sunday School in rural areas seems to be on the decline," Leonard G. Irwin of the Southern Baptist Convention's Home Mission Board revealed recently.

Recent results of a Tift County, Ga. interdenominational religious survey showed that 49 per cent of the children under nine were not in Sunday School. "This same thing is showing up all over the South in rural areas," said Irwin, secretary of the Department

of Survey and Special Studies of the Home Mission Board. He pointed out that the percentage of Sunday School members was higher in years past.

Local church members made up 53.1 per cent of the people surveyed, with 6.3 per cent non-local church members. Total membership was thus below the national average of 26 per cent for the average community.

For Baptists, the survey initiated an area church development ministry, the next step of which will be a church development seminar.

Around 13,500 persons were covered by the survey, which included 2 per cent of the area selected. Tifton is the county seat of Tift County, which has a population of approximately 24,000.

Duke Director J. E. Duke, pastor of the DeSoto Park Baptist Church of Rome, Ga., was director of the survey, serving as an approved worker of the Home Mission Board's Department of Survey and Special Studies. Carrying out the door-to-door canvass were 432 volunteers from churches of various denominations.

Charles R. Standridge, pastor of First Baptist Church, Tifton, and vice-president of the Home Mission Board served as local coordinator of the survey. His church will be host church for the seminar and will serve as a pilot church for the Home Mission Board and the Georgia Baptist Convention in a church development program to be carried out over a period of years.

The eight-day survey will be followed by a church development seminar designed to instruct the Baptist pastors in mission techniques, to interpret the survey to the churches, and to help the churches to make immediate and long-range plans based on the survey and other studies.

Gentry To Participate

This seminar will be directed by Lewis W. Newman, associate in charge of church development in the Department of Associational Missions of the Home Mission Board. Also taking part will be Duke; Franklin Siegler, chairman, department of pastoral ministries, Southwestern Seminary at Fort Worth, Tex.; T. E. Dougherty, pastor, Oakhurst Baptist Church, Decatur, Ga.; Charles Gentry, pastor of West Heights Baptist Church, Pontotoc, Miss., and outstanding pastor—1962 for churches of over 500 members in the church development ministry; and Arthur Henson, assistant executive secretary, Georgia Baptist Convention.

ness toward Sabbath observance and public worship. . . . The Presbytery affectionately plead with their people—especially with the youth of the Church—to take these matters to heart and to make serious inquiry as to what must be the end should there be no repentance. They call upon every individual as before God to examine his or her life in the light of that responsibility which pertains to us all, that haply, in the Divine mercy, we may be visited with the spirit of repentance and may turn again unto the Lord whom we have so grievously with our iniquities and waywardness."

Duncan Campbell, the instrument God used adds that the people of Lewis Island held to the great doctrines of the Bible. "But then it is possible to have a name to live and yet be dead, and has not experience demonstrated again and again that man can be orthodox in sentiment yet loose in practice? Correct views of scripture do not constitute righteousness." God heard their prayers and a great outpouring of the Spirit was the result. "A divine influence seemed to pervade the land and men's hearts were strangely warmed by a genuine revival of religion."

Four Things Made Clear Four things were made clear to the Christians and became governing principles:

1. They themselves must be rightly related to God.
2. They were possessed of the conviction that God, being a covenant-keeping God, will keep His covenant engagements.
3. They must be prepared for God to work in His own way and not according to their program.
4. There must be a manifestation of God, demonstrating the reality of the Divine in operation, when men would be forced to say, "This is the



PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION—Dr. Bob Cook, of Nashville, program personality, is poured a cup of coffee at the president's reception during the meeting last week of the State Religious Education Association at Edgewater Park. Pouring is Mrs. R. C. Alexander, Youth Director of First Church, Jackson. Looking on are Mrs. Horace Kerr, hostess for the occasion and Dr. Charles Tidwell, associate professor of Religious Education, Mississippi College. The association voted to meet Feb. 6-8 of next year at the same place.

Volunteers Teach In Some Church-Related Schools

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS)

The Peace Corps said here that some of its volunteers in Africa and Borneo are working in mission schools conducted by religious groups—but only because there are no other schools in which to teach.

None of the Peace Corps workers are teaching religion, nor are they permitted to engage in religious work while stationed at mission schools, a Peace Corps spokesman said. The Corps also insists that they be assigned to teaching posts without regard to personal religious affiliation.

This has resulted in a number of Protestant volunteers serving in a Roman Catholic school on Borneo, the spokesman said, and may result in Catholic or Jewish volunteers teaching in Protestant mission schools in the Congo or other African lands.

The Peace Corps issued the statement here in response to a critical editorial in the Dec. 21 issue of Christianity Today.

Lord's going and marvellous in our eyes."

Mr. Campbell said, of this Awakening: "The Kingdom of God is not going to be advanced by our churches becoming filled with men but by men in our churches becoming filled with God. Today, we have a Christianity made easy as an accommodation to an age that is unwilling to face the implication of 'simply beliefism' has produced a harvest of professions which have done untold harm to the cause of Christ."

WHERE SHALL WE BEGIN?

Perhaps the most natural starting place is PRAYER. When church members begin to search for God with all their heart, the result will be the revelation of sin in the church. The next step is that of repentance and restitution. The church's purification must be with its human leader. (11 Chron. 29:3-6). This is the most difficult hurdle of the whole process of preparation. But it is essential. To fail here makes all other advance impossible. It was not the last defeat because of sin. It is imperative to have Bible studies, especially on the strategy of Satan, the victorious way to pray and how to obtain the resources of Pentecost.

The KEY to Revival is with "the angel of the church." His responsibility at this crucial hour is tremendous. The enemy of our souls will often use church members to discourage him. The pastor must know the spiritual laws of an Awakening. Every godly Christian should give his loyal backing to the man God has placed in his church. The needs of this hour is a challenge to brave men who stand on the walls of our tottering world as "stewards of the mysteries of God."

"I have set watchmen upon thy walls, O Jerusalem, (America) which shall never hold their peace day nor night: ye that make mention of the Lord, keep not silence. And give him no rest, till he establish, and till he make Jerusalem a praise in the earth. Isa. 62:6-7.

Prime Minister E. C. Manning, Alberta, Canada, who is known as "Alberta's Preaching Premier" because of his regular Sunday radio program, has suggested that Christians start an "all-out effort" to convert Nikita Khrushchev through prayer. "It is as easy for God to deal with Khrushchev in Moscow as it was for him to regenerate Paul on the road to Damascus," Manning said.

'M' Night Totals Show Gains in '62

NASHVILLE—"The 1962 'M' (Mobilization) Night totals are above those for 1961—adding another chapter to this Training Union success story," said R. Maines Rawls. He is director of associational work for the Baptist Sunday School Board's Training Union Department.

According to Rawls, the "M" Night record has climbed above that of the preceding year for 18 consecutive years.

The 1962 total attendance was 563,757, as compared with 553,761 a year ago. The number of churches represented totaled 22,690; the number of pastors present, 17,492.

Montana

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Seal, Calvary, Meridian, to First, Butte; Rev. Lloyd Sparkman, First, Kosiuko, to Trinity, Missoula; Rev. R. H. Cherry, Toomsba and Keweenaw churches, Meridian, to First, Deer Lodge; Rev. George Douglas, Tunicia, to Hamilton Church, Hamilton.

Dr. David Grant, Broadmoor Church, Jackson, to First, Anaconda; Rev. N. F. Greer, First, Quiltman, to First, Three Forks; Dr. Chester L. Quarles, State Baptist Executive Secretary, to First, Billings; Rev. Gordon Sansing, Associate Executive Secretary, to First, Great Falls; Dr. Joe Odle, Editor The Baptist Record, to Calvary, Helena; Rev. J. H. Kyzar, First, Greenwood, to Westside, Great Falls; Rev. J. C. Redding, Fairview, Indianapolis, to First, Forsyth; Rev. Hugh Martin, Gulfport Heights, to First, Lewistown; Rev. Tom Douglas, Associate State Sunday School Department, to College Heights, Bozeman.

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the church, or any human agency."

The Baptist leader cited an apparent easing of tension in some countries—especially Spain and Colombia—where a dominant church had closed Baptist churches and otherwise ties.

But he pointed to New Guinea where an anti-Christian massacre resulted in 80 deaths at a Baptist mission last September 30. There also are evidences of developing trouble spots, he said, in certain Asian and African areas where non-Christian religions are becoming dominant.

Family Life

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Dr. Joe W. Burton, secretary of the sponsoring department, said that the purpose of the conference is twofold: To bring about better understanding of the present problems which confront us in the area of marriage and family life, and to secure the involvement of responsible representative Southern Baptists in a united effort to solve these problems.

Those scheduled to participate in the conference from Mississippi are the following: Dr. Clyde C. Bryan, Dr. Joel D. Ray, Mrs. Glen T. Pearson, Hattiesburg; Rev. and Mrs. Ivor L. Clark, Macon; Dr. Lewis A. Curtis, Calhoun City; Frank Horton, State College; Rev. Cecil R. Maples, Morton; Dr. R. R. Pearce, Clinton; Rev. Bradley Pope, Shelby; Rev. Gerald Riddell, Oxford; Rev. Jerry Slonaker, Petal; and Henry E. White, Jr., Corinth.

Bryant Cummings, Rev. Tom Douglas, Miss Evelyn George, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Gregory, Judge Carl E. Guernsey, Dr. J. Clark Hensley, Horace L. Kerr, Miss Marjane Patterson, Miss Edwina Robinson and Rev. L. Gordon Sansing.

A compact radio transceiver no larger than a pack of King-size cigarettes, has been developed by the Communications Systems Division of ITT Kellogg, a division of the International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation. The nine-ounce radio transceiver, known as Kel-o-Rad, is said to provide "hands-free" two-way voice communications in a wide variety of military and industrial environments.

TELEGRAM

Miss Ruth Womack

Box 530, Jackson, Miss.

GA Convention reservations closed today. We are scheduling a second convention Thursday night, June 20 through noon Saturday, June 22. Same program outline, hotel rates, etc. All who have confirmed hotel reservations are O.K. Others should call for details to follow.

Spiritual Illiteracy Decried

ALEXANDRIA, La.—"Don't blame the colleges," Dr. Wayne Dehoney told church workers gathered here for the Louisiana State Sunday School Convention. "We send our young people off to school with a blank check and a blank mind unprepared to give an answer for their faith. It is little wonder they fall easy prey to such philosophies as 'Negotism' and 'Rationalism'."

Dehoney, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Jackson, Tennessee, spoke on the subject "The Church Must Teach." "The Bible—teaching ministry of the church is not a peripheral matter or a sideline activity," he told Sunday school workers. Because pastors and churches have neglected the teaching ministry he charged that "we have reared a spiritually illiterate generation."

"A measure of our neglect is the fact that on any given Sunday less than 30% of 10 million Southern Baptist church members can be found in organized Bible study. Those who do come want a condensed 'spiritual Metre' to gulp down in one dose," he further said.

Materialism

"As a result of this spiritual illiteracy," Dehoney said, "our critical struggle for survival today is not primarily against communism or Russia but against atheistic materialism."

In another message on "The Church Must Reach" Dehoney gave Baptist workers a dual charge to "move outside the walls of the churches to find the people and mobilize the laymen in this activity of outreach."

"Build on the man in the pew, not on the man in the pulpit," he advised. Citing Spurgeon's tabernacle in London as an example of a church built around a minister he recalled that the great preacher, Charles Spurgeon, addressed 10,000 hearers every Sunday 75 years ago. "Yet when I visited the tabernacle," said Dehoney, "there were 20 people at the service. When the pulpit died, the church died with him."

Can Happen

Dehoney warned, "As a church can die, so can a denomination and a Christian civilization." He cited the German

FMB Requests Prayer For Japan Crusade

The Foreign Mission Board in its January meeting passed a resolution calling upon all Southern Baptists to join in prayer for the Japan Baptist New Life Movement, a nationwide evangelistic campaign sponsored by the Japan Baptist Convention, with meetings to be conducted from March 30 to May 5. This call to prayer was made at the request of the Japan Baptist Convention.

Plans for the campaign include participation by Evangelist Billy Graham and a large number of Baptist pastors, music leaders, and laymen from the United States. The Foreign Mission Board has offered encouragement and assistance to Japan Baptists in their plans for this special effort from the time those plans first began to develop about three years ago. More recently, Japan Baptists have also had the assistance of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, which offered to help arrange for participants from the United States.

Evangelist Billy Graham will be in Japan for about two weeks to help launch the evangelistic campaigns. Following five large city-wide meetings, there are to be local meetings over a period of several weeks in approximately 145 cities throughout Japan. Plans also include widespread use of radio and television in order to bring the Christian gospel to the attention of multitudes of people in Japan for the first time.

Rev. Toshio Miyoshi, professor in the Baptist theological seminary at Fukuoka, is chairman of the New Life Movement, and Pastor Shuichi Matsumura, of Tokyo, is general director.

"In these final weeks leading up to the actual evangelistic campaigns and during the weeks of the campaigns themselves, the prayers of Southern Baptist people can be a major and indispensable factor in the spiritual fruit expected from the Japan Baptist New Life Movement," says Dr. Winston Crawley, secretary for the Foreign Mission Board.

of the Holy Land as an example. "The land that cradled Christianity has for 15 centuries now been a pagan land. It is conceivable that some day they may be sending missionaries from another part of the world to convert the heathen in Louisiana, Tennessee or Texas. Don't say it can't happen here, it did happen over there." As chairman of the Convention's Public Relations Committee and a member of its Executive Committee, he cited 1962 denominational statistics that showed Southern Baptist membership to be leveling off and enrollment in some activities actually to be declining.

Quoting from his own book, CHALLENGES TO THE CROSS published by Broadman Press, Dehoney called for church members to race up to the current crises in Christianity with a renewed spirit and dedication to "reaching more people, faster, for Christ and His Church."

400 Students Expected At Louisville Meet

LOUISVILLE (BP)—Thirty-five leaders from the Southern Baptist Convention will direct the annual student conference at Southern Seminary here March 13.

Approximately 400 students from Baptist colleges and state universities in the southeastern United States are expected to attend the mission-emphasis conference.

Participating in the three-day program will be Paul S. James, pastor, Manhattan Baptist Church, New York City; L. D. Johnson, pastor, Greenville, S. C., First Baptist Church; John R. Claypool, pastor, Crescent Hill Baptist Church, Louisville; and William M. Dyal Jr., associate secretary, Department of Missionary Personnel, Foreign Mission Board, Richmond. All are alumni of Southern Seminary.

Missionaries and former missionaries to Brazil, Taiwan and Nigeria will talk with students about the work of the missionary. Both at home and abroad. Home Mission Board representatives and a Peace Corps official, Lloyd Wright, Washington, will also discuss their areas of service with interested students. Wright is a former Baptist Press editor.

The discovery of any scientific truth, including the reality of human life on other planets, should enhance the power and might of the Creator.—H. Y. Mullikin, professor and head of the department of physics and astronomy, Georgetown College, Kentucky. "How Should the Discovery of Human Type Life on Other Planets Affect My Christian Faith?" in February BAPTIST STUDENT.

Medical care cost each American about \$116 in 1961, according to the Source Book of Health Insurance Data.



AN ESTIMATED 1,200 practically filled Convention Hall on Tuesday night.



READY TO LEAVE at close of conference and put into practice what they learned are, from left: Rev. Harry Kesteg, pastor First Church, Indianapolis; Phillip Fratesi, Indianapolis layman, and Dr. John Cobb, pastor First Church, Inverness.



SEVERAL SING LUSTILY during one of the opening song periods.



THE PICTURE ABOVE taken outside of Convention Hall just following one of the sessions could have been taken after any session except the last, indicating the real interest in the meetings.



SEVERAL PASTORS took their wives. Photo shows Rev. and Mrs. James Fancher of First Church, Florence, (left) and Rev. and Mrs. M. Ray Campbell of Richland Church at Plain.

The Camera Records the State Evangelistic Conference

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"In a sense, the miracle of incarnation is performed every time one becomes a Child of God."

Representing the Division of Evangelism of the Home Mission Board was Rev. Newman McLarry, who recently went to the Division as an associate.

Speaking in Mississippi for the first time and appearing twice on the program he made a most favorable impression with his passion for the lost and his call for urgency in throughout the Southern Baptist Convention.

Allison Spoke

The third of the visiting

speakers was Dr. Gray Allison, Baptist evangelist of Ruston, La., who made a hit with his evangelistic Bible study at each session.

Dr. Allison was pictured as a Bible scholar who can speak the language of the non-scholar as well as those well-versed in the scriptures.

State pastors appearing on program as usual gave a good account of themselves.

The final service found the president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, Dr. Russell Bush, Jr., of Columbia, providing his share of the challenge.

Dr. Bush, a layman, in his message, brought gales of laughter as he declared at the beginning of his message that

"he had his chance now to say what he wanted to the preachers but he was afraid to."

His fear left him forever for he brought a real challenge to the pastors to redouble their efforts in evangelism. The Columbia dentist told how he had wanted to be a preacher but

Whitten Tells Spain Situation

NEW ORLEANS—"Concepts of religious liberty in Spain are not greatly changed from the middle ages," a missionary to that country declared at a New Orleans Seminary Missionary Day.

Charles W. Whitten, speaking to faculty and students Feb. 6, told of a less rigid attitude toward evangelicals, although laws of Spain remained unchanged on the religious liberty question.

"At least officials are willing to talk, now," he said. In recent years the normal procedure for Spanish officials is to close Protestant churches and forbid public manifestations of faith apart from Roman Catholicism.

Whitten reported that Baptist churches in Spain "cannot look like a church." Further he said that evangelicals are not allowed to use newspaper announcements, radio or tracts in witnessing.

"But we still have personal witnessing," he said. "It is a door that no man can shut."

Whitten challenged the seminary students to surrender themselves to God both vocationally and geographically. Terming the preponderance of Christian workers in America "an unfair distribution," he asked that students not automatically feel that they must return to home states for Christian service. "Come over and help us" is still the call of the mission fields, he concluded.

The first complete Polish language translation of the Bible by Protestant scholars is expected to be ready by 1968 in time for national celebrations marking the 1,000th anniversary of Poland as a nation. Appropriately, it will be announced at the meeting.

God had ordained that he should be a layman.

Music Effective

At this point he emphasized the place of every Christian in the efforts to win the lost.

Conference music, under general direction of W. C. Morgan, played its usual important part in making the program effective.

Music directors taking turns leading included Glenn Parker, Prentiss; James Hayes, Jackson; Gene Hubbard, Jackson; W. Loyd Pelham, Pascagoula. Special music included solos, quartets and church choirs. At the organ was A. L. Nelson, assembly director.

The conference opened on Monday night of last week on a high spiritual note and came to a climactic close at noon Wednesday following an impressive dedication service.

Leading this dedication period was Dr. Hultgren, the closing speaker, who led the final dedicatory prayer.

If Mississippi Baptists baptize the 22,700 they set as their goal this year, they will have to baptize several hundred more than in any previous year.

This objective could easily become a reality if Mississippi Baptists go forth from the State Evangelistic Conference with the zeal and enthusiasm called for at the meeting.

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MAN AND BOY RALLIES

The Brotherhood Department is conducting a new promotion this year. We have planned four Regional Man and Boy Rallies. These will be held during the month of April, beginning Monday, April 15 and closing Friday, April 19. The first rally will be held in Tupelo, meeting with the Harrisburg Baptist Church. The second will meet in Yazoo City, with the First Baptist Church. The third and fourth will be held in Liberty Baptist Church in Liberty and Highland Baptist Church in Laurel, respectively.

The program is a very integral part of the overall Brotherhood program. It is our belief that boys need to see that the men of the churches have a very real interest in and a deep concern for them. It is our feeling that this can adequately be portrayed in Rallies such as we are planning to have in April.

The program is planned in such a way as to provide a time for recreation, fellowship, fun, food and inspiration. We will be giving further information concerning program and personnel.

Move Made To Withdraw Canada Messenger Issue

PORTLAND, Ore. (BP)—The Texas pastor who moved that Canadian messengers be seated at the Annual Southern Conventions now wants to withdraw his motion.

It has been on the Agenda for the SBC Executive Committee's winter meeting. The matter was referred to the executive Committee from the 1962 Convention.

In a letter to Porter Routh, Nashville, Executive Secretary of the Executive Committee, Nolan M. Kennedy of Amarillo asked to withdraw the question.

He said his action was based on a desire "To remove every possible hindrance to the Baptist Jubilee Advance..." Kennedy also said, "some of us have become aware that the cause of the churches in western Canada seeking recognition... is a factor which seems to be hindering fraternal relations with other Baptists and an injury to our Baptist Jubilee Advance."

The Executive Board of the Baptist General Convention of Oregon - Washington, meeting here, voted "to concur in the request that this proposed amendment (to the SBC Constitution) be withdrawn."

Jack W. McKay, pastor, Westwood Baptist Church, Edmonton, Alberta, made the motion at the Portland board meeting. A Canadian pastor, he is a member of the Oregon - Washington Executive Board.

Acted "Without Prejudice" Kennedy and the Oregon Washington Board wished to remove it "without prejudice." This means, in legal language, they may bring it up again at some future date.

Routh called Kennedy's move "A marvelous demonstration of christian consideration. It is meant to create a real spirit of Baptist fellowship through the Jubilee Advance."

The group here added, "It should be pointed out that the Executive Board has every confidence in those Baptist churches in Western Canada that are affiliated with the Baptist General Convention of Oregon - Washington and feels that in time the Southern Baptist Convention will do well to recognize those churches and seat their messengers in the convention."

The churches in Western Canada already send messengers to the annual Oregon Washington Convention. The Oregon - Washington Convention is holding its first annual meeting in Canada this year—Vancouver, British Columbia, was chosen.

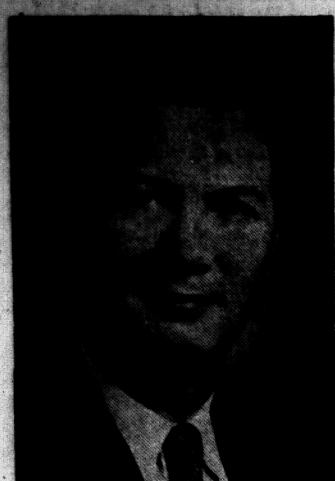
Opposition Developed

Opposition to the seating of Canadian messengers at the SBC arose because of crossing the international boundary. Leaders of the Baptist Federation of Canada, a party in the Baptist Jubilee Advance, were among those protesting.

Routh pointed to the position taken by the SBC Committee on Canadian Baptist Cooperation. "It has stated repeatedly it felt greater progress could be made by working with all Baptist groups in Canada and in developing an indigenous convention. This is the policy of the SBC Foreign Mission Board."

How will the issue be dealt with now?

It is still a matter of convention business. "The Executive Committee will have to give a report of some kind to the convention at Kansas City on this matter," Routh said. It appeared likely, however, the Executive Committee would ask the convention to grant Kennedy's request.



Dr. Allen Graves



Miss Claudette Finley



Mrs. Robert Woody



Dr. Robert P. Crouch

NINE GUESTS TO SPEAK IN BLUE MOUNTAIN FOCUS WEEK

Focus Week at Blue Mountain College, February 18-22, will bring to her campus nine outstanding speakers and personalities, from various vocational fields of service.

There will be two assembly sessions each day, featuring one or more of the visiting team members. All morning assemblies will be held in Modena Lowrey Berry Auditorium from 9:45 until 10:30. All evening assemblies will be held at 7:00 o'clock in the same auditorium.

Dr. Wilfred C. Tyler, President of Blue Mountain College, will assist in presiding and each phase of the campus planning.

Barbara Jett, Moberly, Missouri, Mississippi's summer missionary to Hawaii, 1962, is general chairman of Focus Week arrangements.

Focus Week visiting team members will include the following:

Ed Seabough, Co-ordinator, Nashville, Tennessee, Director of Baptist Student Work, Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention; Dr. Allen W. Graves, Dean of

the School of Religious Education, Southern Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky; Earl Holloway, Minister of Music, First Church, Memphis; Mrs. J. O. Williams, Nashville, Tennessee, well-known lecturer and Christian homemaker; Mrs. John W. McCall, Memphis, an alumna of Blue Mountain College, past President of the National BMC Alumnae Association, a Christian homemaker, active in all phases of church life, mother of three children, one being a member of the current freshman class of the College; Mrs. Robert Woody, Corsicana, Texas, also an alumna of Blue Mountain College, wife of a former Blue Mountain Baptist pastor, mother of three daughters, and active in all church circles; Dr. Robert Crouch, Asheville, North Carolina, well-known private physician of General Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery; Miss Claudette Finley, Nashville, Tennessee, a graduate student of Speech Pathology, Vanderbilt University; and Rev. Bill Causey, pastor of the Poplar Springs Drive Church, Meridian.

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the documentary description and the current reports as being well informed and objective."

He says that the two taken together "Seem to describe rapid progress on the part of the Colombian Government against a problem which contributed heavily to illiteracy, oppressed, and underdevelopment in this neighboring land."

"There can be little doubt," Carlson continued, "That many of the devices prescribed in 1887, or even in 1953, are now sources of major embarrassment in the climate of 1963. This embarrassment is shared by the Roman Catholic Church, by the Government of Colombia, and by the U. S. Government as it undertakes to assist the Latin American Nations become more competent in the democratic process."

The U. S. State Department reply to Goff was signed by Casper D. Green Colombia Desk Officer. The Alliance for Progress is part of the Agency for International Development, which is located in the Department of State. Green cited four specific assurances from the Colombian Government about the elimination of religious discrimination in U. S. aided schools. They are:

1. Such schools are open to all students without regard to race or religion;
2. Non-Catholic students are not compelled to attend Catholic religious instructions, masses or other strictly religious functions;
3. Textbooks are selected by a joint committee of officials from the U. S. agency for international development mission in Colombia and the ministry of education; and
4. The church has no control over the selection of teachers, nor is there a religious examination for teachers or for admittance to normal schools.

Revival Dates

Highland, Crystal Springs: February 17-22; Rev. Percy Ray, Myrtle, evangelist; Rev. James Buie, Jackson, song leader; Rev. D. J. Benson, pastor.

O. D. Morris...

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an associate secretary in the Department of Survey and Special Studies. Morris, an employee of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, has led that state in survey work for the past two years.

Survey methods developed by the board enable churches to secure information from their communities on the religious affiliation of the residents. In addition, the surveys provide information on areas which need new missions or churches. The surveys have been used for areas as small as a local church to as large as an entire state.

Morris, a native of Omaha, Neb., received most of his education in Virginia, after his family moved to Newport news. He secured degrees from Bluefield Junior College at Bluefield and at the University of Richmond. His theological degree was earned at New Orleans Seminary.

"Morris has rendered outstanding service in Mississippi in survey promotion and comes to our staff with a background of pastoral and denominational experience," said Arthur B. Rutledge of Atlanta, director of the Board's Mission Division, in announcing the addition of Morris to his staff. He worked in Virginia with the Goodwill Center in Richmond, was a mission pastor in DeLacroix Island, La., and was pastor of D'Lo Baptist church in D'Lo, Miss.

He married Margaret June Anderson, who also secured degrees from the University of Richmond, and they have two children.

Rural Area Sunday Schools On Decline

ATLANTA, (BP)—"Southern interest in Sunday School in rural areas seems to be on the decline," Leonard G. Irwin of the Southern Baptist Convention's Home Mission Board revealed recently.

Recent results of a Tift County, Ga. interdenominational religious survey showed that 49 per cent of the children under nine were not in Sunday School. "This same thing is showing up all over the South in rural areas," said Irwin, secretary of the Department

of Survey and Special Studies of the Home Mission Board. He pointed out that the percentage of Sunday School members was higher in years past.

Local church members made up 55.1 per cent of the people surveyed, with 6.3 per cent non-local church members. Total membership was thus below the national average of 66 per cent for the average community.

For Baptists, the survey initiated an area church development ministry, the next step of which will be a church development seminar.

Around 13,500 persons were covered by the survey, which included 2 per cent of the area selected. Tifton is the county seat of Tift County, which has a population of approximately 24,000.

Duke Director

J. E. Duke, pastor of the DeSoto Park Baptist Church of Rome, Ga., was director of the survey, serving as an approved worker of the Home Mission Board's Department of Survey and Special Studies. Carrying out the door-to-door canvass were 432 volunteers from churches of various denominations.

Charles R. Standridge, pastor of First Baptist Church, Tifton, and vice-president of the Home Mission Board served as local coordinator of the survey. His church will be host church for the seminar and will serve as a pilot church for the Home Mission Board and the Georgia Baptist Convention in a church development program to be carried out over a period of years.

The eight-day survey will be followed by a church development seminar designed to instruct the Baptist pastors in mission techniques, to interpret the survey to the churches, and to help the churches to make immediate and long-range plans based on the survey and other studies.

Gentry To Participate

This seminar will be directed by Lewis W. Newman, associate in charge of church development in the Department of Associational Missions of the Home Mission Board. Also taking part will be Duke; Franklin Siegler, chairman, department of pastoral ministries, Southwestern Seminary at Fort Worth, Tex.; T. E. Dougherty, pastor, Oakhurst Baptist Church, Decatur, Ga.; Charles Gentry, pastor of West Heights Baptist Church, Pontotoc, Miss.; and outstanding pastor—1962 for churches of over 500 members in the church development ministry; and Arthur Henson, assistant executive secretary, Georgia Baptist Convention.

ness toward Sabbath observance and public worship. . . . The Presbytery affectionately plead with their people—especially with the youth of the Church—to take these matters to heart and to make serious inquiry as to what must be the end should there be no repentance. They call upon every individual as before God to examine his or her life in the light of that responsibility which pertains to us all, that haply, in the Divine mercy, we may be visited with the spirit of repentance and may turn again unto the Lord whom we have so grievously with our iniquities and waywardness."

Duncan Campbell, the instrument God used adds that the people of Lewis Island held to the great doctrines of the Bible. "But then it is possible to have a name to live and yet be dead, and has not experience demonstrated again and again that man can be orthodox in sentiment yet loose in practice? Correct views of scripture do not constitute righteousness." God heard their prayers and a great outpouring of the Spirit was the result. "A divine influence seemed to pervade the land and men's hearts were strangely warmed by a genuine revival of religion."

Four Things Made Clear

1. Four things were made clear to the Christians and became governing principles:
a. They themselves must be rightly related to God.
b. They were possessed of the conviction that God, being a covenant-keeping God, will keep His covenant engagements.
c. They must be prepared for God to work in His own way and not according to their program.
d. There must be a manifestation of God, demonstrated by the church, in the life of the individual.

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cluttered life to the exclusion of the spiritual and unseen.

Everywhere today, godly, men and women are awakening to the tragedy of the wrong emphasis; to the desperate need of a new Focus on the Spiritual.

The Answer Today

A Holy-Spirit Revival is the answer to such a need. A true Awakening is simply God taking over. It is never worked UP, but always brought DOWN by Christians satisfying the conditions. Man is an essential element in these divine visitations. He is the junior partner possessed by the Senior agent, a submissive channel through which the Eternal works.

MAN, in the collective sense, is the ideal channel—that is, the CHURCH. The Holy Spirit should have the right-of-way through the divine institution organized to meet our moral and spiritual needs. It is only an apostate church that will reject a true revival. "The church was launched with a purpose, program and power sufficient to have changed world conditions. The good, the blessings, joy and peace we have are the fruits of the gospel which even a perverted Christianity has given. . . . We can still have a church of mighty, regenerating, reforming, cleansing, Christianizing power at work in the world!" We are in desperate need of a new demonstration of divine power. The times are so critical that only a remedy that is drastic will meet the demands of this hour—a spiritual revolution that will change things at the roots.

OUR CHURCHES CAN DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT

Yes, and MUST do it, if we play the part necessary to save mankind. We can humble ourselves to the point of recognizing our failure and become instruments in God's hands to obey His will. Thus the churches become the proper channel through which divine blessings may be poured out to a confused world. Not to be broken now may result in the Almightiness raising up instruments outside the churches, as in the time of Wesley. Then our beloved denomination will go backward until it reaches the epoch of DECAY.

Hyman Appleman mentions a recognized fact that denominations and missions pass through three states. FIRST, there is the PIONEER period of struggle, poverty and humility. Because of faithfulness, God gives EXPANSION. Next comes the time of LUXURY, where there is a dependence upon things: better buildings, organization, more equipment etc. The eyes are taken from Christ and concentrated on the external. This results in the last stage: DECAY.

Instead of bluster and brag, glorying in outer achievements of larger numbers and useless adornments, may we not hear the Voice of the Spirit, speaking to the angels of our churches as in Apoc. 3:17-19.

Let us see what one church did to bring a Revival on the Isle of Lewis near Scotland during the years 1940-53. They acknowledged their failure, came together and discussed it. Their plan was to publish an appeal for prayer in two newspapers. This was the circular letter printed:

Call Upon People

"The Presbytery of Lewis, having taken into consideration the low state of vital religion within their own bounds, and throughout the land generally, call upon their faithful people in all their congregations to take a serious view of the present dispensation manifested, not only in the chaotic conditions of international politics and domestic economics and morality, but also, and especially, in the lack of spiritual power of Gospel Ordinances, and to realize that these things plainly indicate that the



PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION—Dr. Bob Cook, of Nashville, program personality, is poured a cup of coffee at the president's reception during the meeting last week of the State Religious Education Association at Edgewater Park. Pouring is Mrs. R. C. Alexander, Youth Director of First Church, Jackson. Looking on are Mrs. Horace Kerr, hostess for the occasion and Dr. Charles Tidwell, associate professor of Religious Education, Mississippi College. The association voted to meet Feb. 6-8 of next year at the same place.

Volunteers Teach In Some Church-Related Schools

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS)—The Peace Corps said here that some of its volunteers in Africa and Borneo are working in mission schools conducted by religious groups—but only because there are no other schools in which to teach.

None of the Peace Corps workers are teaching religion, nor are they permitted to engage in religious work while stationed at mission schools, a Peace Corps spokesman said. The Corps also insists that they be assigned to teaching posts without regard to personal religious affiliation.

This has resulted in a number of Protestant volunteers serving in a Roman Catholic school on Borneo, the spokesman said, and may result in Catholic or Jewish volunteers teaching in Protestant mission schools in the Congo or other African lands.

The Peace Corps issued the statement here in response to a critical editorial in the Dec. 21 issue of Christianity Today.

Lord's going and marvellous in our eyes."

Mr. Campbell said, of this Awakening: "The Kingdom of God is not going to be advanced by our churches becoming filled with men but by men in our churches becoming filled with God. Today, we have a Christianity made easy as an accommodation to an age that is unwilling to face the implication of Calvary, and the gospel of 'simply believism' has produced a harvest of professions which have done untold harm to the cause of Christ."

WHERE SHALL WE BEGIN?

Perhaps the most natural starting place is PRAYER. When church members begin to search for God with all their heart, the result will be the revelation of sin in the church. The next step is that of repentance and restitution. The church's purification must begin with its human leader: (11 Chron. 29:3-6). This is the most difficult hurdle of the whole process of preparation. But it is essential. To fail here makes all other advance impossible.

It was not the last defeat because of sin. It is imperative to have Bible studies, especially on the strategy of Satan, the victorious way to pray and how to obtain the resources of Pentecost.

The KEY to Revival is with "the angel of the church." His responsibility at this crucial hour is tremendous. The enemy of our souls will often use church members to discourage him. The pastor must know the spiritual laws of an Awakening. Every godly Christian should give his loyal backing to the man God has placed in his church. The needs of this hour is a challenge to brave men who stand on the walls of our tottering world as "stewards of the mysteries of God."

"I have set watchmen upon thy walls, O Jerusalem, (America) which shall never hold their peace day nor night: ye that make mention of the Lord, keep not silence. And give him no rest, till he establish, and till he make Jerusalem a praise in the earth. Isa. 62:6-7."

Prime Minister E. C. Manning, Alberta, Canada, who is known as "Alberta's Preaching Premier" because of his regular Sunday radio program, has suggested that Christians start an "all-out effort" to convert Nikita Khrushchev through prayer. "It is as easy for God to deal with Khrushchev in Moscow as it was for him in Russia," he said.

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for the first convention," it was reported from the Union's office here. "This is a full house." Hundreds of unconfirmed reservation requests were on hand when decision came to have two conventions.

The nationwide gathering will commemorate the 50th birthday of the Girls' Auxiliary. Another 6,500 girls are expected to attend the second convention.

Miss Ruth Womack, Box 530, Jackson, Miss.

GA Convention reservations closed today. We are scheduling a second convention Thursday night, June 20 through noon Saturday, June 22. Same program outline, hotel rates, etc. All who have confirmed hotel reservations are O.K. Others should

'M' Night Totals Show Gains in '62

NASHVILLE—"The 1962 'M' (Mobilization) Night totals are above those for 1961—adding another chapter to this Training Union success story," said R. Maines Rawls. He is director of associational work for the Baptist Sunday School Board's Training Union Department.

According to Rawls, the "M" Night record has climbed above that of the preceding year for 18 consecutive years.

The 1962 total attendance was 563,757, as compared with 553,761 a year ago. The number of churches represented totaled 22,690; the number of pastors present, 17,492.

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Seal, Calvary, Meridian, to First, Butte; Rev. Lloyd Sparkman, First, Kosciskyo, to Trinity, Missoula; Rev. R. H. Cherry, Toomsba and Keweenaw churches, Meridian, to First, Deer Lodge; Rev. George Douglas, Tunica, to Hamilton Church, Hamilton.

Dr. David Grant, Broadmoor Church, Jackson, to First, Anaconda; Rev. N. F. Greer, First, Quittman, to First, Three Forks; Dr. Chester L. Quarles, State Baptist Executive Secretary, to First, Billings; Rev. Gordon Sansing, Associate Executive Secretary, to First, Great Falls; Dr. Joe Odle, Editor The Baptist Record; to Calvary, Helena; Rev. J. H. Kyzar, First, Greenwood, to Westside, Great Falls; Rev. J. C. Redding, Fairview, Indianola, to First, Forsyth; Rev. Hugh Martin, Gulfport Heights, to First, Lewistown; Rev. Tom Douglas, Associate State Sunday School Department, to College Heights, Bozeman.

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the church, or any human agency."

The Baptist leader cited an apparent easing of tension in some countries—especially Spain and Colombia—where a dominant church had closed Baptist churches and otherwise ties.

But he pointed to New Guinea, where an anti-Christian massacre resulted in 80 deaths at a Baptist mission last September 30. There also are evidences of developing trouble spots, he said, in certain Asian and African areas where non-Christian religions are becoming dominant.

Family Life...

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Dr. Joe W. Burton, secretary of the sponsoring department, said that the purpose of the conference is twofold: To bring about better understanding of the present problems which confront us in the area of marriage and family life, and to secure the involvement of responsible representative Southern Baptists in a united effort to solve these problems.

Those scheduled to participate in the conference from Mississippi are the following: Dr. Clyde C. Bryan, Dr. Joel D. Ray, Mrs. Glen T. Pearson, Hattiesburg; Rev. and Mrs. Ivor L. Clark, Macon; Dr. Lewis A. Curtis, Calhoun City; Frank Horton, State College; Rev. Cecil R. Maples, Morton; Dr. R. R. Pearce, Clinton; Rev. Bradley Pope, Shelby; Rev. Gerald Riddell, Oxford; Rev. Jerry Slonaker, Petal; and Henry E. White, Jr., Corinth.

Bryant Cummings, Rev. Tom Douglas, Miss Evelyn George, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Gregory, Judge Carl E. Guernsey, Dr. J. Clark Hensley, Horace L. Kerr, Miss Marjean Patterson, Miss Edwina Robinson and Rev. L. Gordon Sansing.

A compact radio transceiver no larger than a pack of king-size cigarettes, has been developed by the Communications Systems Division of ITT Kellogg, a division of the International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation. The nine-ounce radio transceiver, known as Kel-o-Rad, is said to provide "hands-free" two way voice communications in a wide variety of military and industrial environments.

TELEGRAM

Spiritual Illiteracy Decried

ALEXANDRIA, La.—“Don't blame the colleges,” Dr. Wayne Dehoney told church workers gathered here for the Louisiana State Sunday School Convention. “We send our young people off to school with a blank check and a blank mind unprepared to give an answer for their faith. It is little wonder they fall easy prey to such philosophies as ‘Negotism’ and ‘Randomism!’”

Dehoney, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Jackson, Tennessee, spoke on the subject “The Church Must Teach.” “The Bible-teaching ministry of the church is not a peripheral matter or a sideline activity,” he told Sunday school workers. Because pastors and churches have neglected the teaching ministry he charged that “we have reared a spiritually illiterate generation.” “A measure of our neglect is the fact that on any given Sunday less than 30% of 10 million Southern Baptist church members can be found in organized Bible study. Those who do come want a condensed ‘spiritual Metre’ to gulp down in one dose,” he further said.

Materialism
“As a result of this spiritual illiteracy,” Dehoney said, “our critical struggle for survival today is not primarily against communism or Russia but against atheistic materialism.”

In another message on “The Church Must Reach,” Dehoney gave Baptist workers a dual charge to “move outside the walls of the churches to find the people and mobilize the laymen in this activity of outreach.”

“Build on the man in the pew, not on the man in the pulpit,” he advised. Citing Spurgeon's tabernacle in London as an example of a church built around a minister he recalled that the great preacher, Charles Spurgeon, addressed 10,000 hearers every Sunday 75 years ago. “Yet when I visited the tabernacle,” said Dehoney, “there were 20 people at the service. When the pulpiteer died, the church died with him.”

Can Happen
Dehoney warned, “As a church can die, so can a denomination and a Christian civilization.” He cited the demise of the Roman Empire as an example.

FMB Requests Prayer For Japan Crusade

The Foreign Mission Board in its January meeting passed a resolution calling upon all Southern Baptists to join in prayer for the Japan Baptist New Life Movement, a nationwide evangelistic campaign sponsored by the Japan Baptist Convention, with meetings to be conducted from March 30 to May 5. This call to prayer was made at the request of the Japan Baptist Convention.

Plans for the campaign include participation by Evangelist Billy Graham and a large number of Baptist pastors, music leaders, and laymen from the United States. The Foreign Mission Board has offered encouragement and assistance to Japan Baptists in their plans for this special effort from the time those plans first began to develop about three years ago. More recently, Japan Baptists have also had the assistance of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, which offered to help arrange for participants from the United States.

Evangelist Billy Graham will be in Japan for about two weeks to help launch the evangelistic campaigns. Following five large city-wide meetings, there are to be local meetings over a period of several weeks in approximately 145 cities throughout Japan. Plans also include widespread use of radio and television in order to bring the Christian gospel to the attention of multitudes of people in Japan for the first time.

Rev. Toshio Miyoshi, professor in the Baptist theological seminary at Fukuoka, is chairman of the New Life Movement, and Pastor Shuichi Matsumura, of Tokyo, is general director.

“In these final weeks leading up to the actual evangelistic campaigns and during the weeks of the campaigns themselves, the prayers of Southern Baptist people can be a major and indispensable factor in the spiritual fruit expected from the Japan Baptist New Life Movement,” says Dr. Winston C. Cragg, president of the FMB.

of the Holy Land as an example. “The land that cradled Christianity has for 15 centuries now been a pagan land. It is conceivable that some day they may be sending missionaries from another part of the world to convert the heathen in Louisiana, Tennessee or Texas. Don't say it can't happen here, it did happen over there.” As chairman of the Convention's Public Relations Committee and a member of its Executive Committee, he cited 1962 denominational statistics that showed Southern Baptist membership to be leveling off and enrollment in some activities actually to be declining.

Quoting from his own book, **CHALLENGES TO THE CROSS** published by Broadman Press, Dehoney called for church members to race up to the current crises in Christianity with a renewed spirit and dedication to “reaching more people, faster, for Christ and His Church.”

400 Students Expected At Louisville Meet

LOUISVILLE (BP)—Thirty-five leaders from the Southern Baptist Convention will direct the annual student conference at Southern Seminary here March 1-3.

Approximately 400 students from Baptist colleges and state universities in the southeastern United States are expected to attend the mission-emphasis conference.

Participating in the three-day program will be Paul S. James, pastor, Manhattan Baptist Church, New York City; L. D. Johnson, pastor, Greenville, S. C., First Baptist Church; John R. Claypool, pastor, Crescent Hill Baptist Church, Louisville; and William M. Dyal Jr., associate secretary, Department of Missionary Personnel, Foreign Mission Board, Richmond. All are alumni of Southern Seminary.

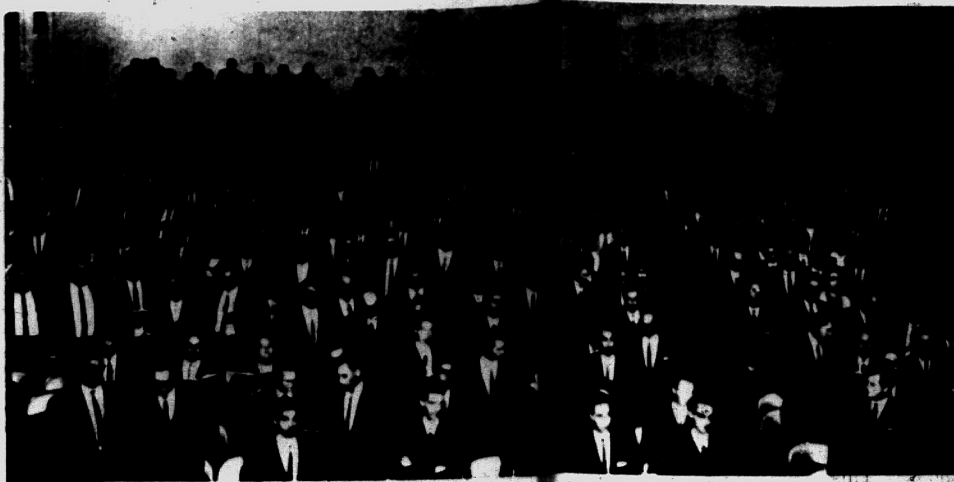
Missionaries and former missionaries to Brazil, Taiwan and Nigeria will talk with students about the work of the missionary, both at home and abroad. Home Mission Board representatives and a Peace Corps official, Lloyd Wright, Washington, will also discuss their areas of service with interested students. Wright is a former Baptist Press editor.

The discovery of any scientific truth, including the reality of human life on other planets, should enhance the power and might of the Creator.—H. Y. Mullikin, professor and head of the department of physics and astronomy, Georgetown College, Kentucky. “How Should the Discovery of Human Type Life on Other Planets Affect My Christian Faith?” in February BAPTIST STUDENT.

Medical care cost each American about \$116 in 1961, according to the Source Book of Health Insurance Data.



NO HONOR FOR THE DEAD—BERLIN—His job: to bar honor to the dead. This East German policeman walks a “graveyard shift” bearing testimony to the barbarism of the Communist regime. The cemetery, bordering on West Berlin, contains remains of dead from both sides of the divided city. The bodies were buried in the cemetery, and the bodies of the dead are buried in the cemetery. —AP Wirephoto



AN ESTIMATED 1,200 practically filled Convention Hall on Tuesday night.



READY TO LEAVE at close of conference and put into practice what they learned are, from left: Rev. Harry Kellberg, pastor First Church, Indianapolis; Phillip Fratell, Indianapolis layman, and Dr. John Cobb, pastor First Church, Inverness.



SEVERAL SING LUSTILY during one of the opening song periods.

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Baptist Get . . .

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“In a sense, the miracle of Incarnation is performed every time one becomes a Child of God.”

Representing the Division of Evangelism of the Home Mission Board was Rev. Newman McLarry, who recently went to the Division as an associate.

Speaking in Mississippi for the first time and appearing twice on the program he made a most favorable impression with his passion for the lost and his call for urgency in throughout the Southern Baptist Convention.

Allison Spoke
The third of the visiting

speakers was Dr. Gray Allison, Baptist evangelist of Ruston, La., who made a hit with his evangelistic Bible study at each session.

Dr. Allison was pictured as a Bible scholar who can speak the language of the non-scholar as well as those well-versed in the scriptures.

State pastors appearing on program as usual gave a good account of themselves.

The final service found the president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, Dr. Russell Bush, Jr., of Columbia, providing his share of the challenge.

Dr. Bush, a layman, in his message, brought gales of laughter as he declared at the beginning of his message that

“he had his chance now to say what he wanted to the preachers but he was afraid to.”

His fear left him forever for he brought a real challenge to the pastors to redouble their efforts in evangelism. The Columbia dentist told how he had wanted to be a preacher but

Whitten Tells Spain Situation

NEW ORLEANS—“Concepts of religious liberty in Spain are not greatly changed from the middle ages,” a missionary to that country declared at a New Orleans Seminary Missionary Day.

Charles W. Whitten, speaking to a faculty and students Feb. 6, told of a less rigid attitude toward evangelicals, although laws of Spain remained unchanged on the religious liberty question.

“At least officials are willing to talk, now,” he said.

In recent years the normal procedure for Spanish officials is to close Protestant churches and forbid public manifestations of faith apart from Roman Catholicism.

Whitten reported that Baptist churches in Spain “cannot look like a church.” Further he said that evangelicals are not allowed to use newspaper announcements, radio or tracts in witnessing.

“But we still have personal witnessing,” he said. “It is a dog that no man can shut.”

Whitten challenged the seminary students to surrender themselves to God, both vocationally and geographically. Terming the preponderance of Christian workers in America “An unfair distribution,” he asked that students not automatically feel that they must return to home states for Christian service. “Come over and help us” is still the call of the mission fields, he concluded.

The first complete Polish language translation of the Bible by Protestant scholars is expected to be ready by 1968 in time for national celebrations marking the 1,000th anniversary of Poland as a nation. Appropriately, it will be called the “Millennium Bible.”

God had ordained that he should be a layman.

Music Effective
At this point he emphasized the place of every Christian in the efforts to win the lost.

Conference music, under general direction of W. C. Morgan, played its usual important part in making the program effective.

Music directors taking turns leading included Glenn Parker, Prentiss; James Hayes, Jackson; Gene Hubbard, Jackson; W. Loyd Pelham, Pascagoula. Special music included solos, quartets and church choirs. At the organ was A. L. Nelson, assembly director.

The conference opened on Monday night of last week on a high spiritual note and came to a climactic close at noon Wednesday following an impressive dedication service.

Leading this dedication period was Dr. Hultgren, the closing speaker, who led the final dedicatory prayer.

If Mississippi Baptists baptize the 22,700 they set as their goal this year, they will have to baptize several hundred more than in any previous year.

This objective could easily become a reality if Mississippi Baptists go forth from the State Evangelistic Conference with the zeal and enthusiasm called for at the meeting.

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MAN AND BOY RALLIES

The Brotherhood Department is conducting a new promotion this year. We have planned four Regional Man and Boy Rallies. These will be held during the month of April, beginning Monday, April 15 and closing Friday, April 19. The first rally will be held in Tupelo, meeting with the Harrisburg Baptist Church. The second will meet in Yazoo City, with the First Baptist Church. The third and fourth will be held in Liberty Baptist Church in Liberty and Highland Baptist Church in Liberty, respectively.

The program is a very integral part of the overall Brotherhood program. It is our belief that boys need to see that the men of the churches have a very real interest in and a deep concern for them. It is our feeling that this can adequately be portrayed in Rallies such as we are planning to have in April.

The program is planned in such a way as to provide a time for recreation, fellowship, fun, food and inspiration. We will be giving further information concerning program details.

Move Made To Withdraw Canada Messenger Issue

PORTLAND, Ore. (BP)—The Texas pastor who moved that Canadian messengers be seated at the Annual Southern Conventions now wants to withdraw his motion.

It has been on the Agenda for the SBC Executive Committee's winter meeting. The matter was referred to the executive Committee from the 1962 Convention.

In a letter to Porter Routh, Nashville, Executive Secretary of the Executive Committee, Nolan M. Kennedy of Amarillo asked to withdraw the question.

He said his action was based on a desire “To remove every possible hindrance to the Baptist Jubilee Advance.” Kennedy also said, “some of us have become aware that the cause of the churches in western Canada seeking recognition . . . is a factor which seems to be hindering fraternal relations with other Baptists and an injury to our Baptist Jubilee Advance.”

The Executive Board of the Baptist General Convention of Oregon - Washington, meeting here, voted “to concur in the request that this proposed amendment (to the SBC Constitution) be withdrawn.”

Jack W. McKay, pastor, Westwood Baptist Church, Edmonton, Alberta, made the motion at the Portland board meeting. A Canadian pastor, he is a member of the Oregon - Washington Executive Board.

Acted “Without Prejudice” Kennedy and the Oregon Washington Board wished to remove it “without prejudice.” This means, in legal language, they may bring it up again at some future date.

Routh called Kennedy's move “A marvelous demonstration of christian consideration. It is meant to create a real spirit of Baptist fellowship through the Jubilee Advance.”

The group here added, “It should be pointed out that the Executive Board has every confidence in those Baptist churches in Western Canada that are affiliated with the Baptist General Convention of Oregon - Washington and feels that in time the Southern Baptist Convention will do well to recognize those churches and seat their messengers in the convention.”

The churches in Western Canada already send messengers to the annual Oregon Washington Convention. The Oregon - Washington Convention is holding its first annual meeting in Canada this year—Vancouver, British Columbia, was chosen.

Opposition Developed
Opposition to the seating of Canadian messengers at the SBC arose because of crossing the international boundary. Leaders of the Baptist Federation of Canada, a party in the Baptist Jubilee Advance, were among those protesting.

Routh pointed to the position taken by the SBC Committee on Canadian Baptist Cooperation. “It has stated repeatedly it felt greater progress could be made by working with all Baptist groups in Canada and in developing an indigenous convention. This is the policy of the SBC Foreign Mission Board.”

How will the issue be dealt with now?

It is still a matter of convention business. “The Executive Committee will have to give a report of some kind to the convention at Kansas City on this matter,” Routh said. It appeared likely, however, the Executive Committee would ask the convention to grant Kennedy's request.

Criticizing Southern Baptists

This seems to be the "open season" for criticizing, analyzing and making predictions concerning Southern Baptists. From within, through the press and from the pulpit, and from numerous sources without the convention, are appearing criticisms, predictions and warnings concerning the denomination and its future.

For the past several months the denominational press has carried numerous such articles, largely centered in the controversy over theological liberalism. Now that issue is being freely discussed by others.

In the January 9, 1963 issue of *Christian Century*, which now labels itself as "An Ecumenical Weekly," and which has long been a voice of liberal Christianity, appeared a lengthy article under the title "The Southern Baptists: Need for Reformulation, Redirection." The author is a Southern Baptist, Dr. Samuel S. Hill, Jr., chairman of the department of religion at the University of North Carolina.

In the February, 1963 issue of *Harper's Magazine*, George Harmon, a Jacksonville, Fla., newspaper man, who grew up in Sardis, Miss., and graduated from the University of Mississippi, writes on the subject, "How to Tell a Baptist from a Methodist in the South."

Dr. John R. Rice, editor of the fundamentalist weekly, *The Sword of the Lord*, has written a number of articles relative to the action of the Southern Baptist Convention in San Francisco, and the subsequent firing of Dr. Elliott from the faculty of Midwestern Seminary. In a recent issue he asked, "Southern Baptists, is it lip service only which you render to Christ and the Bible, when you preach what Baptists believe and when you form statements of faith? Or do you set out to live like you talk?" He says that widespread modernism is "an acknowledged fact" among Southern Baptist seminaries, and asks what Southern Baptists are going to do about it. Other fundamentalist publications are making similar charges against the convention.

The Liberal View

Mr. Hill, in a subhead of his article, says, "The coming into being of a new southern culture poses a demand for a polity and a message that are relevant." In the article itself he says that the Southern Baptist Convention has "within the past two or three years begun to find itself seriously troubled within and ineffective without."

He is disturbed that Southern Baptists continue to hold traditional theological positions and to "faithfulness to the literal Word as they interpret it." He says that when the "Christian message bypasses the great personal and social ills of our day to concentrate wholly or primarily on one's status before a judgmental God in a life to come, it sounds hollow and harsh." He continues with this rather amazing statement, "Many would prefer hell to life in heaven with a God who is made to appear unconcerned about persons in the here and now and exclusively concerned for the restoration of his own offended dignity. Many have come to feel that a God in whom belief is not comprehensive and emancipating and healing is hardly worthy of the devotion of one's life."

Disturbed

Mr. Hill is also disturbed by such incidents as the firing of Dr. Elliott, and says that in 1963 "a steadily growing minority of pastors, seminarians and young laymen regard the critical approach to the Bible not only as a live option, but as the only approach which conveys the legitimacy, meaning and power of the biblical message." He admits, however, that these are not in control of the convention. "What appears to be forming in a coalescence of the southwest and frontier groups," made up largely of the "frontier states (Kentucky, Tennessee, southern Illinois and Missouri)" and the southwest and western bloc. "The southwest bloc, characterized by self-assurance and big-business temper, provides the drive; the frontier bloc embraces 'Landmarkism,' a theology which maintains that the only true church is the local Baptist church, and that such a church stands in direct historical succession from Jesus Christ."

Dr. Hill believes that this coalition may seize control of the convention from the "middle-of-the-road segment which has generally been in power." In his thinking the "one realistic hope for preventing the transfer of Southern Baptist leadership to ultraconservative hands lies in the influence young ministers and laymen trained since the mid-1950s may be able to exert."

Dr. Hill believes that if the ultraconservatives do gain control Southern Baptists will cease to appeal to educated people, and may become a denomination "confined to members of the lower classes."

Baptists and Methodists

In his article Dr. Harmon compares Baptists and Methodists of the South. He says that when he was a boy there was little difference in the two groups, but that today "Southern Baptists are Jacksonville's (his city) primary depository of Protestant conservatism or fundamentalism. The Methodists, however, are a church in transition. They have been shifting theologically leftward for many years, and have become the South's color guard for liberal Protestantism, also called modernism."

Mr. Harmon says that the Baptist has "his eyes fixed on a Hereafter." He believes "the Bible to be a book of literal truth." "To a Baptist, Jesus Christ was God become man; through Crucifixion upon the cross, He mysteriously atoned for Adam's original sin . . . and He literally arose from His grave to ascend into Heaven, thus blazing the train to posthumous bliss."

Mr. Harmon speaks of Southern Baptists' evangelistic spirit, their preaching and teaching the Bible in their organizations and services, and seems to feel that they have little interest in the problems of this world.

Fair Appraisal

We believe that to a large extent Mr. Harmon has given a fair appraisal of Southern Baptists, although we disagree with his conclusion about their interest only in the hereafter and not in life in this world. As to whether he has fairly judged modern Methodism, we shall leave that to that denomination to decide.

Articles in other papers have similar criticisms of Southern Baptists. The fundamentalists say that the denomination is being taken over by the modernists, while the liberals say that the fundamentalists are seizing control. Some groups, even within the convention, feel that adherence to the decision to force such men as Dr. Elliott out of the seminaries will destroy the denomination, while others say that if they are not driven out the denomination will die. The critics are not agreed, so what is the true situation? Perhaps it is too large a problem, to be appraised in a brief article. However, one can make some definite observations.

Some Observations

1. It is certainly true that Southern Baptists are largely conservative in their theological position, and there is little possibility that they will abandon that position at any time in the near future.

2. Neither the liberals nor the fundamentalists are in control of the convention. There has always been a large fundamentalist group among us, and a smaller liberal group. Neither has had control in the past nor is there likelihood that they will gain control now. Average Southern Baptist pastors and churches are not going to accept the doctrines of liberalism, but neither will they accept the extremes of ultra-fundamentalism. The convention



MISSIONS IN HOMELAND—"And he commanded us to preach unto the people" Acts II, 10:42. Mississippi Baptists, by supporting home missions, can "testify that it is he which was ordained of God." Rev. and Mrs. Douglas Pringle, missionaries to Spanish-speaking, Parkview, N. M., visit with the Garcia family. (Home Board Photo)

has long had both groups, but the majority has always been nearer the center, although always on the conservative side. We are convinced that it will continue that way.

3. We do not believe that liberals will gain control of Southern Baptist seminaries. While we would concede that there may be some men holding questionable views who still remain on some faculties, they are in a minority, and the large majority of the men teaching in the institutions are Bible believing, conservative scholars. Furthermore, the action of the San Francisco convention was very clear when it said "we courteously request the trustees and administrative officers of our institutions and other agencies to take such steps as shall be necessary to remedy at once those situations where such views (theological views concerning the historical accuracy and doctrinal integrity of the Bible—ed.) now threaten our historic position." We believe that the trustees and administrators will take this request seriously. If they fail to act the Convention probably will speak again.

4. We do not see any danger of a serious rift in the ranks of the convention at any time in the near future. Some small groups and some individuals conceivably may leave the convention because of their doctrinal views, but we believe the great hosts of Southern Baptists will continue to march forward in the paths of fellowship they are following today.

A "Bible-believing" People

5. The vast majority of Southern Baptists proudly plead guilty to the charge that they are a "Bible-believing" people, whose greatest interest is in the salvation of the lost. They deny, however, that they are interested only in the future, and have no concern for the here and now. Furthermore, Southern Baptists have done far more in the field of social problems, than most of their critics give them credit for. Southern Baptists are deeply concerned about "social problems" but believe that their basic solution is through the redemption of individual men. Only then can other action follow.

6. The Southern Baptist message is still relevant to the needs of modern man. Man's basic need has not changed. He may be called modern but his greatest problem still is sin and he needs to be saved. The gospel that Baptists preach is very relevant to that need. Indeed there is no other gospel that is relevant. We would ask our critics if the doctrines of liberalism are more effective in reaching modern man, than the gospel of redemption through the blood of Jesus Christ. Are churches which preach liberalism attracting larger congregations or reaching more souls, than Baptists with their message of "Thus saith the Lord"? The record will speak for itself in this issue. Mr. Harmon, in his article, admits that Baptists are the fastest growing group in his community.

7. Southern Baptists will, despite the dire prediction of the critics, continue to have a major influence in the religious life of the areas where they work, will continue to reach multitudes of people, and will continue to grow. By their own self-criticism, and by the wisdom of their people, pastors and leadership, they will correct the weaknesses in their program and emphasis. They will continue to hold their position as one of the major religious groups of America, adjusting their programs to the needs of today's world, but continuing to proclaim the message of the Word of God of "redemption through Jesus Christ" as the essential need of all mankind.

GUEST EDITORIAL

Some Changes at the Mansion

by Jack L. Gritz

In Baptist Messenger, (Oklahoma) When Governor . . . Henry Bellmon announced a few days ago that all parties in the executive mansion during his administration would be "dry," many Christian people voiced a quiet "amen" of approval.

To what must have been a somewhat surprised press conference he said, "The mansion will be our home the next four years and we do not intend to serve any alcoholic beverages there." He jokingly added that there would be plenty of milk to drink.

Cocktail parties have become the curse of modern society. Their devastating effect upon affairs of state, especially in the national government, would be difficult to estimate.

The Christian people of Oklahoma may disagree about his policies but they can rejoice in a governor who is unashamedly dry.

Quotables

SELECTED BY THE EDITOR FROM CONTEMPORARY THOUGHT AND OPINION

We show our best side to those who mean least to us.—Arnold Glasow

A morning-glory at my window satisfies me more than the metaphysics of books.—Walt Whitman

Delay in justice is injustice.—Walter Savage Landor

BAPTIST BELIEFS

By Herschel H. Hobbs
Pastor, First Baptist Church
Oklahoma City, Okla.

The Separation of Church and State

The Pharisees and Herodians faced Jesus with a loaded question (Matt. 22:15-17). Involved was their Messianic concept which forbade payment of taxes to a pagan power. To answer categorically either way would have involved Jesus in trouble with the Romans or the Jews. Jesus did neither (Matt. 22:18). The coin testified to the Jews' subversion to and dependence upon the State (vv. 19-20). They also recognized their relationship toward God. Jesus pointed out their obligations to both God and the State (v. 21). Thus the basic text on separation of church and state does not mean that the two have no relations whatever. Jesus recognized the existence, rights, and functions of the state, (Matt. 22:15-21). The early Christians in missionary work utilized roads and sea lanes provided by the state (cf. Paul's travels, Acts 13:16; 27). On occasion Paul accepted or called for the protection of the state (Acts 18:27ff; 22: 25ff.; 25:10-12). At the same time Christians were exhorted to submit to the authority of the state (Rom. 13:1ff.; 1 Pet. 2:12-17). Even when persecuted by the state they were to endure, if willingly as a testimony unto the Lord (1 Pet. 3:14-15). In the peaceful existence of an orderly society they were to carry on their spiritual work (1 Tim. 2:1ff.). Church and state are mutually related in the normal events of life. The state provided a proper atmosphere in which the churches carry on their work (cf. fire and police protection, national security, postal service, and general

stability of society). In turn the churches endeavor to produce through the gospel the type of Christian character conducive to a well-ordered society.

But church and state also are mutually related in the discharge of its separate responsibility. The church shall not seek to achieve its spiritual goals through political power (cf. Matt. 4:8-10; John 6:15). Nor shall the state commandeer the church for political ends (Acts 4:19). No religion shall be favored above another. The state shall not levy taxes upon strictly religious property; nor shall any church receive tax funds to be used in the performance of its spiritual, educational, and healing ministry (cf. 1 Cor. 16: 1ff.). The church shall be free to determine its own form of worship, faith, government, membership, and missionary outreach. But such shall be carried on within the framework of the laws of the state (See excellent pamphlet "The Meaning of Religious Liberty," Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, Washington, D. C.).

Various religious groups are not agreed on the distinct line of demarcation in the separation of church and state. Obviously there are "gray" areas which account for these differences. Baptists may differ as to the line but not the principle. They have always been its leading champions. The greatest progress in Baptist witness in history has come under this principle.

Calendar of Prayer

February 18 — Gene Verell, Chickasaw association; Brotherhood president; Ralph Taylor, Mississippi College faculty.

February 19 — Bryant Hardin, Alcorn association; Training Union director; Mrs. C. E. Pugh, Washington.

February 20 — Albert H. Fauth, associate, Seminary Extension Department; Mrs. Helen McWhorter, faculty, William Carey College.

February 21 — Ora Y. Calhoun, Baptist Book Store; Perrin H. Lowrey, Blue Mountain College faculty.

February 22 — Mrs. W. D. McWilliams, Baptist Building; Mrs. Trudie B. Mills, Baptist Building.

February 23 — J. B. Costilow, Baptist Student Director, Clarke College; Allie Lee McGaugh, faculty, Clarke College.

February 24 — Mrs. Gertie Orman, staff, Baptist Children's Village; A. R. Smith, Zion-Ok-tibbeha superintendent of missions.

Pages From The Past

By J. L. Boyd

50 YEARS AGO

Editor P. I. Lipsey announced through his column the death of Sister George W. Leavell of Oxford. He reminded the readers of the Record that "Her life was a success, and she will be greatly missed here." This was the mother of the nine sons, without a sister in the home. She was one of the great mothers in Israel.

40 Years Ago

Secretary Aubrey J. Wilds of the B.Y.P.U. (B.T.U.) Department gave lists of the A-1 Unions in Fourth Quarter of last year: Senior, B. W. Griffith, First Church, Vicksburg; Union Church, Pinola Co.; First Hattiesburg; Harmony Church, Monroe Co.; First Laurel; and M.I.T.S., Columbia. Intermediate, Columbia. Intermediate, Moorhead; Baldwin; Aberdeen; Flora; Brookhaven; First Vicksburg; and Blue Mountain. Juniors, David Memorial Jackson; Hazlehurst; Flora; Columbia No. 2; Moorhead; Kingston (Second Avenue); Laurel; First Laurel; Leavell; Brookhaven; Hamburg and Greenville.

In 1923, there were 500 organized Training Unions in Mississippi, with a total membership enrollment of 15,000; her standing being one of the top five of the states in the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention.

25 Years Ago

The Hickory Grove Church, Lamar County, closed a successful revival meeting with 30 accessions, 25 of them for baptism. The pastor was assisted by State Evangelist Wade Smith as preacher, and J. E. Perry as song leader.

'Thank-You' Note From Parchman

Dear Sir:

On behalf of the inmates at Parchman, I wish to thank those that were responsible for the donations of money, gifts and various items that tended to make Christmas more home-like for the ones that were incarcerated.

Through this media, I wish to thank the newspapers, radio and television stations for their time. Churches, group organizations, and the many individuals that spared their time and efforts in this program of holiday cheer, which was more than appreciated.

All these items whether they seemed small to you at the time, were more than accepted in a large way by our people here.

Mrs. C. E. Breazeale,
Miss. State Penitentiary,
Parchman, Miss.

Appreciation From California

Dear Brother Quarles:

On behalf of my church and the churches of Orange County Southern Baptist Association I would like to express appreciation to you and all of the Southern Baptists in Mississippi for sharing with us in our

simultaneous revival crusade:

1. Through your prayers and Christian concern for our work;

2. By sharing the gospel with us through Dr. William P. Davis; Dr. Davis was faithful in preaching the Word in our church. He did a superb job in directing our simultaneous associational campaign. We had 18 of our churches and missions in revival. We had over 200 additions to our churches during this one week campaign. There were about 100 that came for baptism and a little over 100 that came by letter. Of course, there were many that rededicated their deeper relationship with the Lord.

Your support in Dr. Davis' answering our Macedonian call continues to be an inspiration to all of us in our association. We have a greater appreciation for the work that Southern Baptists are doing in Mississippi because of our fellowship with Dr. William P. Davis.

May God continue to lead and bless you and your convention as you follow the Lord Jesus Christ.

Gratefully yours,
Clyde B. Skidmore
Chairman of Evangelism
Orange County Southern Baptist Association
Garden Grove, California

New Books

CLEAR SHINING AFTER RAIN by E. Margaret Clarkson (Wm. B. Eerdmans, 79 pp., \$2.50).

A book of religious verse, written by an excellent craftsman in the art of poetry. Margaret Clarkson is also the author of the well-known hymn, "So Send I you."

JEWS, GENTILES AND THE CHURCH by Noel Smith (Baptist Bible Tribune, 132 pp., \$2.00).

The author shows that there are three classes in the world today, Jews, Gentiles and the Church. He carefully studies what the Bible reveals about these, and shows what God's plans for them are. He shows that God is not through with the Jew and that he still has a place in prophecy; that the times of the Gentiles are yet to come to an end; and that a church is a local visible assembly, fulfilling God's purpose until the Lord comes again. He shows the unscripturalness of calling the church Israel, or claiming that the churches now fulfill the prom-

ises to Abraham. He reveals the fallacy of the universal church idea. A valuable, Biblically sound, prophetic study.

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New Look Apparent In Foreign Missions

By The Baptist Press
(Another in a Series)

There is a new look about Southern Baptist Foreign missions.

With its eye on the constantly-changing world situation, the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has adopted its work in 50 countries to suit the times and conditions.

Among the new developments are these:

1. English-language churches in many foreign cities. One in Tokyo, for instance, rated a column in Time magazine. (In Germany, an English-language church joined with a German Baptist church to sponsor mission work in Spanish.)

A couple formerly in Richmond, Va., where the board has its offices, has been appointed to develop English-speaking churches in Germany.

There also are English-language churches in Argentina, Brazil and Venezuela.

The need for these churches arose (1) From the large number of American military personnel stationed abroad and (2) From the fact that American industries are sending United States citizens to serve their business interests around the world.

2. Growth of indigenous, or self-maintained, work. The Southern Baptist missionary from America, in whatever country he may be, works toward a self-maintained and self-supported program by the Baptists who were born and reared in that country.

The degree of self-sufficiency varies greatly from country to country. In Brazil, Baptists have a large publishing house in Rio De Janeiro. Baptists in Taiwan sent a missionary of their own to Thailand.

Have Printing Program. In Japan, Hong Kong and Indonesia, Baptists also have their own printing program.

In still other countries, self-support may be some time coming.

3. The call on Baptist denominational leaders in the United States for professional help abroad.

Merrill D. Moore and Robert J. Hastings from the stewardship office of the convention's Executive Committee in Nashville (now its Stewardship Commission) have visited Asian and South American countries to lead conferences on tithing,

church budgeting and stewardship planning.

Similar visits by other specialists from Baptist agencies in the United States have been made from time to time.

In more than one place, missionaries were later to declare, "These visits were one of the greatest things that could have happened to us."

The comparatively new forward program of church finance, already a success in United States churches, is being adapted to meet the needs and conditions of Baptist churches in other countries.

4. The release to independent state Baptist convention status of the former territory of Hawaii, now the 50th state. This is being completed swiftly, after 20 years of its being a foreign mission field.

5. Periodic visits from laymen—who are not commissioned as permanent appointees of the board—to bolster certain phases of the work. An Oklahoma City doctor spent three months in Nigeria in a medical program.

Laymen at their own expense have visited Baptist mission work in Mexico in a project jointly sponsored by the Foreign Mission Board and the Brotherhood Commission of the convention.

Schools Follow Missionaries. 6. The winning of respect among local people and leaders. Christ-centered humanitarian projects have been going on from the beginning of Southern Baptist foreign missions over 100 years ago.

Schools and hospitals have been quick to follow the advent of missionaries. When the roster of countries is presented in the board's annual report to the Southern Baptist Convention, this is clearly evident in country after country, area after area.

In the Africa, Europe and Near East area, for example, the Baptist hospital at Gaza, between Israel and Egypt, distinguished itself for medical care of the wounded in a war there.

In Nigeria, one of the strongest mission points of all, plans are under way for a college to follow up the already-acclaimed high schools. Five prominent officials in the new independent government received education in them.

7. The mission force is growing—now more than 1500 with

the goal of 1000 by 1964. Southern Baptist support of the mission program is growing too through the cooperative program although Executive Secretary Baker J. Cauthen of Richmond cites many still unmet calls for service.

"Each year the recommendations which have been placed before the Foreign Mission Board by official action of the missions actually exceed funds available by \$3 million," he told the St. Louis Convention earlier this year.

The Foreign Mission Board, although its basic support comes from the Cooperative Program, also receives sizeable sums through the annual Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for foreign missions.

The Cooperative Program will furnish \$7¼ million to the board for operations this year, more than half of the total operating funds for all the agencies. In addition, it will supply \$800,000 for capital expansion in foreign missions.

Budget Over \$8. Million. Thus foreign missions receives over \$8 million from a total budget of \$18½ million.

The last Lottie Moon Christmas Offering brought in \$8.2 million.

8. New countries are opening to service—Pakistan, Vietnam, Guam, and Okinawa in the Orient; Portugal in Europe, and Liberia, Nyasaland and Northern Rhodesia in Africa.

The work of the Foreign Mission Board overseas is divided into three areas—Africa, Europe and the Near East together; Latin America, and the Orient. Each area has a secretary to supervise the work. The secretary periodically goes to the area of responsibility for residence of several months.

Cauthen is a former missionary to China.



Rev. Charles T. Carmichael Dies

Upon the recent death of Rev. Charles T. Carmichael, DeSoto Church in Clarke County adopted a resolution of esteem and appreciation for him. In part, the resolution stated:

"Rev. Charles T. Carmichael, M. C. T., served this church as pastor and then as a faithful member as long as health permitted his attendance, and contributed readily of his resources to the ongoing of God's Kingdom.

"Charles T. Carmichael was an outstanding disciple of our Lord Jesus Christ, a devoted pastor and educator, a good neighbor, a worthy friend to all who knew him, and one who impressed all as a splendid and noble Christian man."

Rev. James E. Sanders, pastor, Melvin Donald, chairman of deacons, Lee Elem, deacon, and C. E. Sellers, deacon, stated that the purpose of the resolution was "to give recognition for outstanding service to God and man, to make a permanent record of regard for this faithful servant, and to serve as a testimonial of the church's esteem and love for him."

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A Man Grows With A College

By Marjorie Rowden

"I have experienced a miracle in the life of an institution", comments Dr. J. Ralph Noonkester when he refers to the gigantic step forward that has characterized the progress at William Carey College.

But the miracle—everyone knows—is largely due to the capable leadership of this very man, himself.

Statistics measuring Dr. Noonkester's administration are impressive: enrollment doubled, PhDs on faculty tripled, operating budget quadrupled, and seven new buildings added to plant! Yet, the achievements in academic accreditation, status in educational circles, and the ever widening influence of both William Carey College and J. Ralph Noonkester are even more thrilling to those who have stood on the side lines and watched.

It was July, 1956.

Ralph Noonkester—youth, sincerely humble, and acutely aware of the immensity of the task before him—took the oath of office as president of William Carey College in Hattiesburg, Mississippi.

Quietly he went about the task of building up a school that had gone through the upheavals of fire, war interruptions, financial strain, and academic limitations.

Today—seven years later—Carey College ranks among the first in Southern Baptist colleges on the basis of phenomenal growth!

First Action. "My first official action as President was to fire my wife", smiles Ralph Noonkester as he looks back with a bit of awe at the rapid pace of events since 1956.

Mrs. Noonkester had been serving as Registrar for the college, while her husband held the office of Dean of Instruction. Her position was swiftly replaced by someone else and Mrs. Noonkester moved into the President's home to become the gracious "first lady of the campus."

The small, somewhat bleak, campus of the old Mississippi Women's College was not too impressive to the Noonkesters



DR. AND MRS. J. RALPH NOONKESTER are pictured with their son and daughter, Myron and Lila.

when, in 1952, they arrived from Virginia to join the campus faculty. But the potential for greatness in both the institution and in the man was too great an unseen force to be discouraged. From the position of Associate Professor of Religion, Dr. Noonkester quickly rose to Dean. And from the status of a woman's college the institution rose to a co-educational senior college. And a new name was acquired—William Carey College. The struggle to justify its grounds for existence had just begun when, in 1956, Ralph Noonkester was asked by the Board of Trustees to assume the presidency. He was 32 years old!

"Had I been a day older I might have refused", jokes Dr. Noonkester, for often the road has been rough and discouraging. There was just enough obvious progress each step of the way to brighten the road ahead. And then dividends began to compound themselves as students poured onto the campus in ever increasing numbers and as evidences of support and encouragement flowed in from all sides.

A young man with keen appreciation for academic excellence, Dr. Noonkester considered the bringing of the college into full national accreditation in 1958 perhaps the greatest single achievement.

Not only did Ralph Noonkester place his institution into a position of respect, but in so doing, he exposed his own unique ability for leadership in wider educational circles. Today he serves as Chairman of the Board of the Foundation of Independent Colleges in Mississippi, President of the Southern Association of Baptist Colleges and Schools (an organization extending its influence over all Southern Baptist colleges, universities, seminaries, and academies), and is

MC Ranks High In Who's Who

Mississippi College ranks first in Mississippi among the private institutions of higher learning in the number of names included in volume 32 of Who's Who in America. Figures released by Arthur E. Nealy, educational director of A. N. Marquis Company, publishers of the volume, disclosed that Mississippi College led all other private institutions in the state in number of alumni listed.

The study by Nealy also revealed that Mississippi College ranked high on a national basis among private colleges and universities. The Baptist college was ranked 98th among the country's more than 1200 private higher educational institutions in number of names. In a further breakdown of college classification, Mississippi College was 23rd among the country's private, coeducational, liberal arts colleges.

Taking its denominational relationship into account, the Clinton college ranked seventh in the country among educational institutions controlled by the Northern and Southern Baptist denominations. Eight Mississippi College

President-elect of the Mississippi Association of Colleges. In addition, he serves as President of the local Gamma Gamma Chapter of the national honorary fraternity for professional educators, Phi Delta Kappa.

A graduate of the University of Richmond, with a Phi Beta Kappa key proving his scholarly nature, Ralph Noonkester also is well-equipped to lead a church-related Baptist college. He holds the Master's and the Doctorate degrees from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky. While striving for ever higher levels in the academic realm, the President insists that the campus atmosphere and activities keep pace on an ever higher level of Christian standards and spiritual values. Through the years Dr. Noonkester has consistently taught a Sunday School class at First Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, and is an example of the highest in Christian citizenship in the community as well as on the campus.

Perhaps in no realm does Ralph Noonkester serve with greater love and with greater acclaim, however, than in his own home. Here, five-year-old Myron and two-year-old Lila watch from the spacious windows of the new colonial-style President's home for the sight of "daddy" as he leaves academic matters behind and comes home to them.

The Noonkester family moved into the new house, just adjacent to the campus, last May. Its magnificence and good taste is a fitting token of the admiration of the Board of Trustees and of the friends of the college—not just for the obvious new status of the college, but for the President, whose devotion and dedication to a task have made both the school and the man respected and acclaimed by all.

Serious Setback In Giving Seen In President's Tax Plan

(Editorial in the Louisiana Baptist Message)

September 13, 1962 the Baptist Message stated editorially that it had been rumored in Washington that one of the proposals to be made by President Kennedy in 1963 to effect a tax cut would incorporate a reduction of the percentage presently allowed for religious and charitable causes.

It is no longer a rumor, but a live proposal, and if enacted by Congress it is certain to have an adverse effect on contributions to religious groups, colleges, hospitals and charitable institutions.

One of the first church leaders to comment on the President's plan was T. K. Thompson, director of the National Council of Churches Department of Stewardship and Benevolences, who said, "the proposals would undoubtedly make it harder for churches and charities to raise funds and it's already hard enough."

"The President's recommendations," he said, "had been discussed by him with some philanthropic leaders, most of whom agreed that the changes would have a 'negative,' if not a 'catastrophic,' effect on giving."

5% Floor

The President's proposal is a 5 per cent floor on itemized deductions to non-profit groups, which means, a taxpayer's total contributions would have to be reduced by 5 per cent of his gross income before they could be claimed on the income tax form.

The following is a tax case prepared especially for the Baptist Message by a tax consultant which illustrates the 5 per cent reduction.

As the law now stands: Joe & Jane Doe with two minor children, earning \$5000.00 per year, itemizing his deductions.

Itemized Deductions: Contributions: Church (Tithes) on gross \$500.00; Other Charities, 10.00, Total \$510.00.

Interest: Home Mortgage Interest \$172.02.

Taxes: La. Sales Tax (From Chare) \$73.00; Auto Tag 3.00; Gasoline Tax (320 gal. at 7 cents) 22.40; City Property Taxes 12.00, Total \$110.40.

Medical: None this year.

Other Deductions: Union Dues \$20.00

(Fed. & State) 15.00, Total \$510.00.

Total, \$844.32.

Net Taxable Income is, \$1,755.68.

Using same problem above: Total Items. Deductions \$844.32.

Less 5% of Earnings (5000.00 (250.00).

Net Deductions allowable, \$594.32.

Taxable net income then would be, \$2005.68.

Amounts To \$2005.68.

Thus, Joe and Jane Doe's taxable income would amount to \$2005.68 instead of \$1755.68. Under existing tax rates, they would be expected to pay a larger tax. However, since Mr. Kennedy proposes lowering over-all tax rates, they would probably end up paying a smaller tax, even with the stricter rule on itemized deductions. But their tax saving would be far less than it might have been had the President decided in his proposal only to cut rates and leave the rules for itemized deduction alone.

The savings, however, for a couple with two children earning \$7500 a year would only be \$1.56 a week over the next three years.

The irony of the proposal is that a couple using the standard tax form can deduct 10 per cent (up to \$1000) even though they do not give one dime to charity, etc. Consequently, they are better off tax-wise than the individual who donates.

It would be less than naive to shrug our shoulders and entertain the thought that the new proposal would not hurt churches and denominational causes. Not all tithers or major contributors are prompted or motivated by love in giving. Some give a large percentage to the church because it is deductible. If the real truth were known, it might be shocking.

The local church and related causes at this time are in no position to experience a financial setback.

Authority Quoted.

According to one authority, "In the decade between 1950 and 1960 farm mortgage indebtedness increased 114.7 per cent; non-farm mortgage debts increased 102.8 per cent, and long term U. S. Corporate debt showed an increase of 129.8 per cent. During the same decade,

however, while the national income increased 75 per cent, church indebtedness of Southern Baptists increased 745.8 per cent. In 1960 Southern Baptist church indebtedness equalled only 26.15 per cent of our total gifts, but by 1960 our church debt equalled 90.78 per cent of our total gifts."

The same source states that "Southern Baptists are spending \$28 million more annually for interest on funds borrowed for new church buildings than on the foreign missions program."

The President's proposal in reference to deductions could double or triple the financial burden of many churches.

Colleges and hospitals could suffer an even worse fate in the years ahead, especially at a time when they are struggling to redouble their efforts for special gifts. It could well be the beginning of the end for some.

One Thing Certain

One thing is certain—it would increase the clamor for federal aid by a number of religious groups.

By discouraging charitable contributions the President's proposal could inhibit the effectiveness of private charitable institutions and in turn could mean more and more take over by the federal government of the nation's charitable and welfare efforts.

As a passing comment, if contributions to churches and home mortgage interest are reduced as itemized deductions, it can be interpreted as an attack on the two basic institutions of our nation, the church and the home, even though it might not be so intended.

(Editor's Note: According to the Alexandria Daily Town Talk, "so many people want to tell it to Washington" that Western Union is making the personal opinion message (POM), which was started experimentally a year ago, a permanent public service. The service permits 15 words, plus name and address of the sender, to be sent to the president, vice president and members of congress from any point in the U. S. at a flat rate of 75 cents."



REVIEWS RECORD—Dr. R. Alton Reed, left, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Annuity Board, Dallas, shows Dr. Chester Quarles, executive secretary for Mississippi Baptists, that his state has 57 per cent of its pastors in the retirement program. Dr. Quarles, together with eight other state executive secretaries, were guests of the Annuity Board during its 45th annual meeting of the trustees in Dallas. Annuity Board Photo

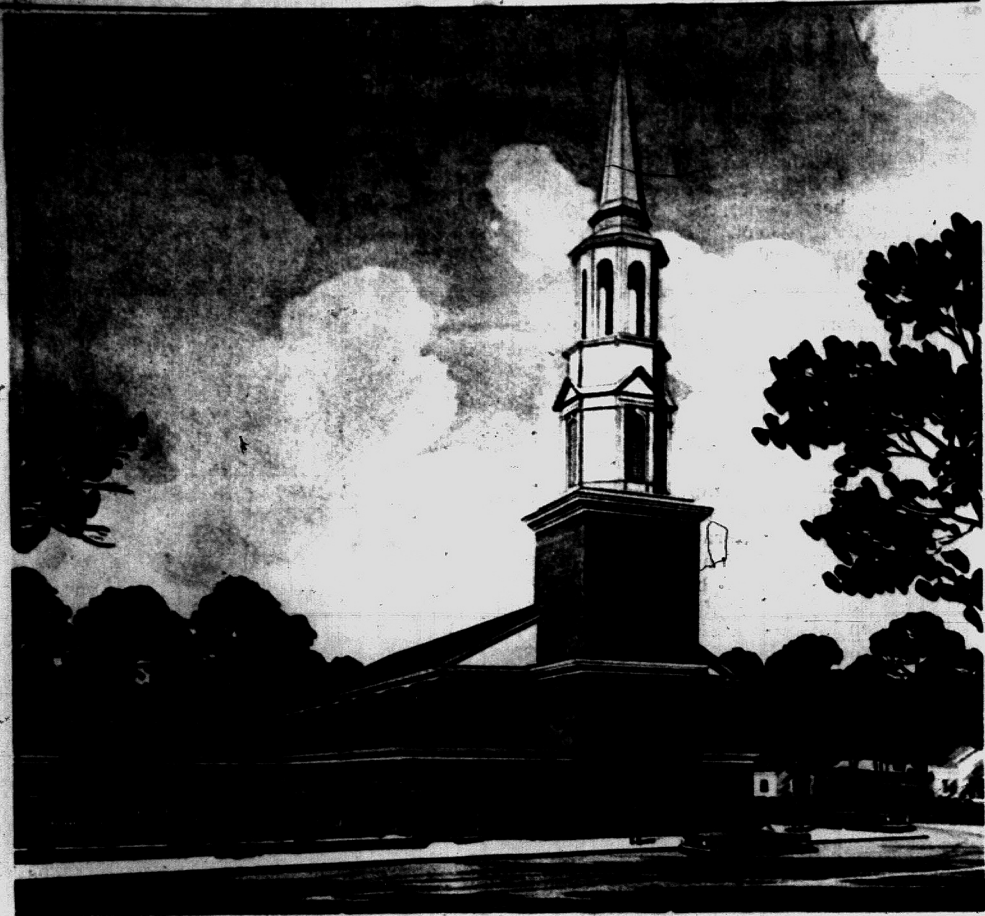
CONGRESSMAN TERMS PEACE CORPS 'COSTLY VENTURE'

WASHINGTON, D. C. (EP)—The Peace Corps, charges a leading Republican Congressman, is a "costly venture."

Rep. Clarence J. Brown (Rep.-Ohio), ranking GOP member of the House Rules Committee, said that it is costing an average of \$9,000 a year to keep each Peace Corps volunteer at his post abroad.

Although the volunteers receive only \$80 a month stipend, or \$960 a year, the cost of overhead of the agency is so great, he said, that it is spending \$45 million in the current fiscal year to keep 5,000 volunteers on the job.

In comparison, Rep. Brown said it costs an average of only \$2,000 a year to keep an American missionary or representative of a charitable agency abroad.



THIS IS THE INITIAL SKETCH of the architect's drawing of the new sanctuary of First Church, Philadelphia, which will occupy the northeast corner of the present block, adjacent to the present church building. The new building will seat approximately 680 persons, with covered arcades connecting the buildings and a specially designed room for the Music Ministry choral program. Cost of the construction has been estimated at \$225,000.00. Thomas Shelton Jones of Starkville is the architect. Rev. Roy Collum is pastor.

Registrations For Washington RA Congress To Open Feb. 22

MEMPHIS (BP)—Almost everybody knows Feb. 22 is George Washington's Birthday. But to Royal Ambassadors the day has another special meaning this year.

It is "Registration Kick-Off Day" for the third national

Royal Ambassador Congress.

This national event for an expected 6,000 boys 12-17 will be held Aug. 13-15 at Washington, D. C. under the auspices of the Baptist Brotherhood Commission and state brotherhood departments.

Boys who register early will save money, Edward Hurt, Jr., Congress Director, said. Registration fee is \$2 for boys who sign up by July 4 and \$2.50 thereafter.

First program personality selected for the boys' meeting is Gregory Walcott, Baptist lay preacher, television personality, and California Baptist Representative on the Brotherhood Commission.

Walcott will play a leading part in a pageant pointing out the prominent role of early Baptists in bringing religious liberty to this country.

30-Minute Pageant
The 30-minute pageant will highlight the opening night of the congress.

Other congress features will include a short address by the winner of a national speakers contest and dedication of a memorial to Luther Rice, an early Baptist leader.

The featured speaker, a Royal Ambassador, will be chosen during competition between states Aug. 11 at Washington. Competition within states is being supervised by state brotherhood departments.

The memorial to Rice, a 10-foot limestone monument, will be unveiled on the lawn of the new Luther Rice Memorial Baptist Church. It is to serve as a Royal Ambassador testimony to Washington.

Royal Ambassador chapters are permitted by their state brotherhood departments to give a maximum of \$1 toward the cost of the Rice Memorial.

Hurt said.

Anti-Missionary Laws Demanded By Extremists

JERUSALEM (RNS)—A policy of "restraint" urged by an Israeli government official was assailed here as demands were renewed for "anti-missionary" legislation.

In calling for a strong government law barring proselytization and restricting the work of Christian missionaries, members of a newly-organized unit called the Council To Combat Missions derided the stand of Dr. Zerach Wahrhaftig, Israel's minister of religions.

The meeting, held at the Tel Aviv Religious Council headquarters, was attended by several hundred rabbis and Orthodox lay leaders.

Dr. Wahrhaftig told the group there was not much prospect that the government would outlaw missionary activities. The government, he added, was vitally interested in retaining the sympathy of the Christian world.

Referring to an early January incident in which Yeshiva (Jewish Talmudic school) students attacked Protestant missionary institutions, Dr. Wahrhaftig called for restraint and warned against acts of violence.

Such acts, he said, would do no more than to place Christian missionaries in the role of "martyrs."

Nevertheless, the Israeli official spoke out against proselytizing activities by missionaries, and called on Jews to overcome a public indifference toward a "danger" inherent in some Christian-supported activities involving youth.

Dr. Wahrhaftig criticized the state for subsidizing an Israeli dancing troupe's appearance in a Hollywood film dramatizing the life of Christ. He also opposed what he called a "snobbish" weakness toward missionaries on the part of wealthy Tel Aviv residents.

American Telephone announced plans to launch

Names In The News

Rev. Jim Hanks is the new pastor of Fowell Survey Mission, Meridian, (sponsored by Calvary Church, Meridian, Rev. W. O. Seal, pastor). Rev. Hanks assumed his new duties on February 3. The Hanks, who have three children, Becky, Cathy, and Nancy, live at Newton where Rev. Hanks is a student at Clarke College.

Riley Munday of Cleveland will be guest humorist at the Valentine Banquet at First Church, Yazoo City Thursday night, February 14. The theme will be "Sweethearts Down South." Mr. Munday has a long-play record called "Smile Southern Style" which he will present at the banquet. Rev. James Yates is pastor at First, Yazoo City.

Harry Thomas, Jr., Milner Wise, and Keith Cobb, members of Main Street Church, Hattiesburg, Dr. John E. Barnes, Jr., pastor, have been selected for the University of Southern Mississippi Hall of Fame. They are seniors at the university.

Dr. David Mason, New Orleans, will be the guest speaker at the Sweetheart Banquet at Oak Grove Church, Smithdale. The banquet will be held at Morrison's Cafeteria in New Orleans. Dr. Mason has written several books, two of which are "Eight Steps Toward Maturity," and "The Charlie Matthews Story." The topic of his devotional will be "Love."

Rev. Toxie Hedgepeth has resigned the pastorate of Crooked Creek Church, Lawrence County, to accept a church in Rankin County.

Simone Beth, second child of Mr. and Mrs. R. Lee Bivins, missionaries to Israel, was born January 21. Mr. and Mrs. Bivins may be addressed at Box 177, Petah Tiqva, Israel. He is a native of Atlanta, Ga.; she is the former Sarah Kolb, of Conway, S. C.

Dr. E. Milford Howell, missionary to Nigeria, arrived in the states for furlough February 2. Mrs. Howell returned in December to be with their daughter, Mary Katharine, who was injured in an automobile accident. They may be addressed at 2702 34th St., Snyder, Tex. He is a native of

Rochester, Tex.; she is the former Eleanor O'Haver, of Plainfield, Ind.

Miss Mabel Summers, missionary to the Near East, has moved from Jerusalem, Jordan, to Beirut, Lebanon, to help plan for the Baptist Youth World Conference to be held in Beirut this summer. Her address is Box 2026, Beirut, Lebanon. She is a native of Bardonia, Ky.

Miss Mary Evelyn Fredenburg, missionary now on furlough from Nigeria, has moved to Metropolis, Ill. (Address: C-O Mrs. E. O. Wilson, 8 Marberry Drive), from Orlando, Fla. She is a native of Detroit, Minn.

Dr. Russell Bush, member of First Church, Columbia, and President of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, was the featured speaker for the Brotherhood-sponsored Adult Valentine Banquet at First Church, Crystal Springs on Tuesday, February 12. Rev. A. Estus Mason is pastor.

Mickey Megginson, son of the pastor of Pineview Church, Jackson County—Rev. Ray Megginson—has been called as minister of music at Douglas Avenue Church, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Rev. W. C. Burns of the Satsuma Church near Mobile has accepted the pastorate of the Gautier Church, Jackson County, and will move on the field in February.

Paul Bird was recently ordained to the ministry of music and education by the Unity Church, Jackson County, Rev. R. V. Walker, pastor.

J. R. Pegues, Pilot Life Insurance Company, Tupelo, was one of 18 laymen from Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, and Tennessee who participated in the recent Baptist Laymen's Week in 18 churches in the Los Angeles Southern Baptist Association, Los Angeles, California. A Baptist business man, R. Aubrey Waldrup of Gainesville, Georgia was leader of the Laymen's Crusade.

The Baptist Student Union of William Carey College was in charge of the prayer meeting hour at Temple Church, Hattiesburg, Wednesday evening, January 30. The students discussed various phases of the Baptist Student Union work on the Carey campus. Topics discussed by Carey students included: "Devotional Life," Ruby Jones, Anguilla; "Extension and Mission Activities," Jimmie Coleman, Long Beach; "Student Summer Mission," Shanon Haward, Waverly, Alabama; and "How the BSU has helped me to grow spiritually at Carey," Barry Hall, Washington, D. C. Miss Jewel Hannah, Baptist Student Union Director, presented the program and Eugene Hattaway, Macclesney, Florida, sang.

Rev. James Smith has moved into a new pastor's home at Knox Church, Walthall County.

Charlotte Ann Carroll, Miss Mississippi, for 1962-1963, will be the Sweetheart Banquet speaker at Calvary Church, Greenwood, Friday night, February 15. Miss Carroll is a Baptist from Walthall. Rev. Wilburn Matthews is pastor.

Pierce Writes Assembly Programs

Gene Pierce, Jackson, associate, State Training Union Department, was author of the non-departmental assembly programs in the January issue of Training Union Magazine.

Pierce has also written assembly programs which will appear in the March, May, July, September, and November issues of this year's Training Union Magazine.

New Feature Begins in March "Builder"

NASHVILLE—A new feature entitled "My Conversion Experience" begins in the March issue of "The Sunday School Builder."

Each article will be a brief first person account.

The first article by Dr. Courts Redford, Executive Secretary, Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, Atlanta.

Latin America was the biggest borrower from the World Bank during 1962. Latin American countries borrowed \$2.2 billion, according to the World Bank.



CHRISTMAS IN JAPAN—A 45-minute network Christmas television program in Japan featured Charlton Heston, star of the motion picture, "The Ten Commandments," (right) and Shuichi Matsumura, director of the Japan Baptist New Life Movement. Nihon television donated the time free to the Japan Baptist Convention, sponsor of the nationwide evangelistic crusade this year.—(BP Photo)

SPAIN REPORTED STUDYING LAW REGARDING PROTESTANTS

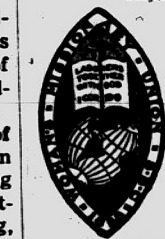
MADRID (RNS)—A law governing the status of the Protestant minority in Spain is being considered by the Spanish government, it was announced here.

The announcement was made by Minister of Information Manuel Fraga Iribarne following a meeting of the Cabinet.

It is estimated that there are between 20,000 and 30,000 Protestants in Spain.

It was earlier reported that the situation of the Protestant community had been discussed at a conference of the Spanish Roman Catholic metropolitans held in Madrid.

Informants said some of the questions considered by the prelates may have involved more freedom to open Protestant schools in the country and the easing of Church restrictions in cases of mixed marriages, which are permissible only under the civil code.



Woman's Missionary Union

President—MRS. J. T. LYONS, McComb
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YWA Director—MISS MARJEAN PATTERSON
Sunbeam Director—MISS WAUDINE STOREY
GA Director—MISS RUTH WOMACK

Regional Gathering Girl's Auxiliary

First Baptist Church, February 23
Louisville, Mississippi

Regional Gatherings for all the G.A.'s are being held throughout the state. The second

meeting at Louisville will feature as the missionary speaker a native of Mississippi who serves in Spain, Mrs. Charles Whitten.



Mrs. Charles Whitten

Emphasis on the State Queens' Court and Girls' Auxiliary Camps will be the afternoon program. Throughout the day the 50 years existence as an organization for girls will be highlighted by skits looking in on the past, present, and future.

Every girl is encouraged to wear a dress symbolic of any of the years between 1913 and 1963. Each individual brings a lunch and the drink is provided by the church.

The report of attendance from the Hattiesburg Regional Gathering was 1,035.

SUNBEAM NURSERY WORKSHOP

February 18-22

10:00 AM-3:00 PM

Attend the one Nearest You
Bring a Sack Lunch

Feb. 18—Laurel, First
Feb. 19—Brookhaven, First
Feb. 20—Canton, First
Feb. 21—Pontotoc, First
Feb. 22—Batesville, First

For — WMU Presidents, Sunbeam Directors, Nursery Workers.

Program Personalities — Miss Betty Thomas, Editorial—Promotion Associate in the Sunbeam Band Department, Woman's Missionary Union, Birmingham, Ala.; Miss Alexine Gibson, Sunbeam Director, Georgia Woman's Missionary Union.



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Mississippi Baptist Sunday School Convention

March 11-12, 1963

First Baptist Church, Jackson
Begins Monday night—7:00 o'clock
Adjourns Tuesday Night—9:15

Age-Group Conferences
Leader
Gradle Roll—Mrs. J. B. Parker, Jackson
Nursery (one or two departments)—Carolyn Madison, Jackson
Nursery (three or more departments)—Mrs. Eddie Prather, Tupelo

Beginner (one department)—Mrs. George Meek, Jackson
Beginner (two or more departments)—Mary Royce Eckles, Greenville

Primary (departments—only one age)—Robert Dowdy, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville

Primary (departments—more than one age)—Mrs. George Etheridge, Bailey

Junior (teachers)—W. T. Douglas, Jackson

Junior (department workers)—Neta Stewart, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville

Intermediate (teachers)—George Holmes, Alabama Sunday School Department, Montgomery

Intermediate (department workers)—James Webster, Jackson

Young People (single)—Ralph Halbrooks, Alabama Sunday School Department, Montgomery

Young People (MYF)—Joseph M. Haynes, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville

Young People (YPA)—Mrs. John Colle, Pascagoula

Young People (college)—Mrs. Burke C. Murphy, Starkville
Adult (teachers)—Harold Anderson, Alabama Sunday School Department, Montgomery
Adult (department and class officers)—Chester Vaughn, Hattiesburg

Extension—John Alexander, Jackson

General Conferences
Leader
Superintendent and General Associates—Harold Marsh, Alabama Sunday School Department, Montgomery
Pastors—J. Clark Hensley, Jackson
Educational Directors—Henry Love, First Baptist Church, Shreveport
Kindergarten (no Tuesday morning conference)—Mrs. Hester Blaine, Jackson

Nursery and Beginner children cared for during all sessions.
Primary children provision on Monday and Tuesday evenings

Coast Cities Hold Successful Religious Survey

Despite two cold waves and heavy rains, the Pascagoula-Moss Point Religious Survey was a success. In Moss Point the survey was 95.5% completed. Last February approximately 45 churches of that area participated in an Area Religious Survey. After the results were compiled and the "Book of Prospects" was issued, the cards were filed in the office of the Superintendent of Missions, Rev. John B. Laney.

This year the packets were re-assembled and a telephone re-check was conducted January 13-16. Workers were enlisted and instructed to telephone each family listed on the cards. It was discovered that approximately 40 of the families had changed residence in the 11 month period.

On January 18, canvassers were trained to visit the remaining homes. It was discovered that 1,486 persons hold non-local church membership of which approximately 60% are Southern Baptist. An additional 2,886 persons over nine years of age hold no membership at all. The survey revealed approximately 1100 children under nine are not enlisted in Sunday school or church activities. Even though tremendous growth of population has been experienced, the percentage of unaffiliated church members and unenlisted children decreased considerably. The one factor which caused the greatest concern was an increase in the percentage of persons with no church membership.

At the present time, Jackson County is the fastest growing county in Mississippi. In Pascagoula, according to their Chamber of Commerce, the population presently stands at 25,000. Their recent report from MIT predicts the population would be 50,000 by 1965. This means that Southern Baptists need 20 new churches begun this year in the Pascagoula-Moss Point area.

Rev. John B. Laney, Co-ordinator, and O. D. Morris of Jackson, Director, have set up permanent files of the information.

Protestant church women in this county and abroad have reached their one-year \$100,000 goal in a fund-raising drive for the health and physical education facilities and program of the International Christian University in Japan.

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Rev. Wilbur Irwin

POCAHONTAS CALLS PASTOR

Rev. Wilbur Irwin of Jackson has been called as pastor of Pocahontas Church, Hinds Association.

A native of Port Gibson, Rev. Irwin has been a resident of Jackson for the last 20 years. He attended high school in Port Gibson, graduated from Mississippi College with a BA degree in 1961, and currently is attending New Orleans Seminary.

Rev. Irwin is new in the ministry with the Pocahontas church being his first pastorate. Long active at Parkway Church, Jackson prior to entering the ministry, Rev. Irwin has served as a deacon for 14 years and in various other capacities of leadership at Parkway.

Mrs. Irwin is the former Evelyn Strickland of Port Gibson; they have two children—Carol, 8 and David, 6. Rev. Irwin has served as a supply minister at various central Mississippi churches during recent years.

The Pocahontas Church has just completed a building and relocation program on Kickapoo Road just off Highway 49 north, a few miles north of Jackson. The church returned to the site where it was organized a century ago at Mt. Pisgah Church. The name was changed to Pocahontas Church when the building was moved to the community of Pocahontas.

The church presently serves the extreme north end of Hinds county, the Pocahontas and Tinnin community areas and the Highway 49 north vicinity.

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Japanese Baptist Lay Leader Dies

Dr. Shiro Hirano, outstanding Japanese Baptist layman and lay preacher, died January 24 of a heart attack.

A doctor of pharmacology, Dr. Hirano was a chemist for a drug concern in Tokyo at the time of his death. Previously he taught in the International Christian University, Tokyo. An authority on hormones and visceral chemistry, he was author of technical books.

Dr. Hirano led in the organization and development of Mitaka Baptist Church, Tokyo. He had recently taken a leading part in preparations for the Japan Baptist New Life Movement, a nation-wide evangelistic campaign that is scheduled to take place between March 30 and May 5 this year. He was one of a group of Japanese Baptist leaders who visited the United States early in 1962 to work out plans for co-operation between the Japan Baptist Convention, which is sponsoring the campaign, and Southern Baptists.

Brother Of Missionary Dies

Dr. A. O. Meredith, brother of Miss Helen Meredith, Southern Baptist missionary to Colombia, died January 25. Miss Meredith, now on furlough, may be addressed at 888 Rosedale Rd., N. E., Atlanta 6, Ga. She is a native of Hartwell, Ga.

A crackdown has been ordered on drinking in the Washington Post Office. Officials said on-the-job drinking has become so widespread that mail operations have been disrupted. On December 1, 2 four hundred empty liquor bottles were found in the main post office.

It is the contention of many evangelical Christians that the reconciliation of science and religion is possible only in terms of the Christian faith. John P. Newport, professor of philosophy of religion, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, "Is the Theory of Human Evolution in Basic Conflict with the Christian Faith?" in February BAPTIST STUDENT.

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Sunday Reports

Sunday School Attendance
Training Union Attendance
Additions To The Church

FEBRUARY 10, 1963		
Aberdeen, 1st	404	140
Arbor Grove (Chl.)	130	85
Bellevue (Lamar)	102	104
Bethel	167	34
Bethel (Cophah)	118	93
Biloxi:		
First	533	192
Emmanuel	195	116
Big Ridge	184	90
Bay Vista	206	102
Brookhaven, 1st	902	328
Harbert Heights	79	42
First	823	286
Bruce, 1st	313	103
Mission	328	140
Calhoun City, 1st	275	147
Canton, Center Terrace	225	84
Carthage, 1st		
Cleveland:		
Immanuel	218	93
Calvary	195	116
Columbus, 1st	115	107
Columbus, 2nd	778	216
Crystal Springs, 1st	623	209
Fellowship (Choctaw)	108	39
Fellowship (Pike)	49	92
Florence, 1st	303	119
Forest	334	87
Georgetown	195	95
Gretna, Emmanuel	278	106
Greenville:		
Emmanuel	143	55
Greenwood:		
North	429	122
Calvary	501	201
Gulfport:		
Gulf Gardens	259	106
Pass Road	164	118
Grace Memorial	308	63
Northward Chapel	34	24
First	926	325
Handsborg	403	177
Hattiesburg:		
Temple	584	228
38th Avenue	252	146
Main Street	849	412
Main	159	529
North Main	36	40
Wayside	34	24
First	645	252
Hillsboro	107	74
Indianola, Second	235	122
Jackson:		
West Jackson -	455	208
Broadmore	1189	516
Raymond Road	119	108
First	129	529
McLaurin Heights	245	124
Lakeview Mission	16	16
Oak Forest	432	158
Parkway	419	151
Colonial Heights	220	780
Robinson St.	301	128
Grandview	456	96
Starwood Drive	241	121
Daniel Memorial	1081	503
Highland	371	160
Crestwood	324	146
Hillcrest	542	231
Alta Woods	921	371
Forest Hill	787	387
Van Winkle	622	213
Calvary	1578	606
Main	1511	564
Mission	67	42
Southside	316	175
Kosciusko, First	565	185
Main	555	177
Maple Mission	155	177
Kosciusko, Parkway	173	65
Laurel:		
First	556	208
Wildwood	408	152
Second Avenue	437	163
Winway	189	122
Highland	474	165
Magnolia Street	511	212
West Laurel	376	131
Long Beach, 1st	112	118
Main	397	114
DeLisle	5	4
Ludlow, 1st	402	153
Lyon	192	67
Roundaway	25	22
Ludlow	100	48
McComb:		
South	190	56
East	339	134
Central	244	100
Navilla	163	123
Meridian:		
Fellowship	108	56
South Side	419	122
Main	366	155
Fulton Avenue Mission	24	17
Westwood	112	78
Hickory Grove Chapel	133	20
State Boulevard	435	200
Highland	668	206
Fifteenth Avenue	600	240
Poplar Springs Drive	619	185
Calvary	413	168
Main	380	135
Fewell Survey Mission	19	22
Pine Springs Mission	14	11
Midway	214	132
Eightth Avenue	187	83
Natchez, Parkway	307	139
Natchez, 1st	567	155
New Albany, 1st	522	200
Olive Branch	160	60
Pascagoula:		
Unity	200	93
Brady Mission	704	196
First	693	
Main	11	
G. C. Nursing Home	11	
Orange Grove	106	64
Pearl	384	151
Pearson (Rankin)	174	73
Petal, Crestview	115	75
Petal-Harvey	373	125
Main	348	111
Harvey	25	15
Philadelphia, N. Calvary	115	93
Picayune, 1st	556	93
Mission	523	
Pocahontas	33	43
Pontotoc, 1st	423	185
Prospect (Perry)	44	17
Ridgely	287	134
Rosedale, 1st	137	100
Ruth	64	42
Springfield (Scott)	99	56
Starkville, 1st	1019	466
Stonewall	203	76
Tupelo:		
West Jackson St.	505	200
Harrisburg	628	229
East Tupelo	246	97
Union, 1st	325	103
Mission	58	42
Union (Pearl R.)	221	151
Vicksburg, Trinity	109	67
West End (Wins.)	51	108
West Point, 1st	557	195
Water Valley, Second	70	68
FEBRUARY 3, 1963		
Aberdeen, 1st	373	113
Biloxi, Bay Vista	204	104
Carson Ridge (Attala)	30	27
Clarkdale, Riverside	147	101
Collins	193	115
Columbus, 1st	825	207
Greenville, Emmanuel	147	59
Hillsboro	104	63
Ita Bena, First	222	81
Kosciusko, 1st	586	188
Main	447	176
Maple Chapel	13	10
New Albany, 1st	609	231
Pascagoula, Orange Grove	107	67
Water Valley, Second	69	69
Wheeler Grove (Alc.)	101	72

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON—Jesus Wants Vital Religion

Mark 7:1 to 8:26

By Clifton J. Allen

A recurring emphasis in Mark's account of Jesus' ministry is the note of vigorous action and a compassionate service. But along with his deeds of mercy, Jesus repeatedly set forth the truth about vital religion.

The lesson before us is an example. What Jesus did and what he said impressed the truth that real religion is a matter of the heart and of the hand, a new relationship with God and a new way of life before men.

Religion can be dead. It can be a creed without conviction, a ritual without reality, a profession without power. The religion of Christ means faith, obedience, and righteousness. There must be the fruit of the Spirit to prove that one has been born by the Spirit.

The Lesson Explained

INNER PURITY (vv. 1-5)

Pharisees from Jerusalem hounded Jesus' steps and watched for every opportunity to discredit him or to make accusations against him. Meticulously watchful, they observed that his disciples, on a given occasion, ate bread without first washing their hands. For the ceremonially zealous scribes and Pharisees, such an act was a serious violation of the rules of cleanliness. Having been in the market-place, the scribes and Pharisees would never eat without first washing their hands diligently, up to their elbows, according to their traditions. They were not concerned about sanitation but about religious conformity.

It is good for the body to be clean, but the requirement of Jesus is that the heart be pure. One can never be saved from sin by outward rites and ceremonies. Inner purity can only come through the cleansing of God's grace and the redemption that is in Christ Jesus. Rituals and rites cannot purify the springs of character. One must be made clean by the power of Christ in order to enter into fellowship with God. If there is purity in the heart, there will be purity in conduct. HEART ALLEGIANCE (vv. 6-8)

In Jesus' reply to the question of the Pharisees he declared that real religion is a matter of heart allegiance. Referring to a prophecy of Isaiah, he called his critics hypocrites. They were the counterpart of people in Isaiah's time who offered God lip service but whose heart was without faith or love. These enemies of Jesus said many prayers, scrupulously observed the feasts, memorized the Scriptures, and went through all the forms of religion. They talked about religion incessantly and diligently went through the forms of worship, but their hearts were utterly void of the fear of God and of obedience to him. Their worship was vain because it lacked sincerity and devotion. Jesus openly charged the Pharisees with putting manmade tradition above God-given commandments. Religion which stops with lip service is no religion at all.

UNSELFISH CONCERN (vv. 9-13)

Jesus went on to illustrate the rank hypocrisy and vicious spirit of his critics. The Jewish rabbinical tradition allowed a man to escape the obligation to support his parents simply by pronouncing "corban" over his property. This meant that he was making a vow, dedicating his property to God, so that it became sacred and could not be used for parental support. But, actually, he could keep his property as long as he pleased and use it for his own selfish satisfaction. A religious tradition was thus used to make void the commandment of God. Jesus added, "Many such like things do ye."

Real religion is never an excuse for unrighteousness. It is never a veneer of escape from duty. Rather it calls upon the Christian to be moral and ethical in every attitude and relationship. It expresses itself in unselfish love for other persons. "Corban" can never have a place in Christianity. It is false to the spirit of Christ. Instead, unselfish love is the very heart of Christianity. It reveals a true kinship with Christ.

A golden Jubilee Convention in Springfield, Missouri, April 10-21, 1964, will mark the 50th anniversary of the Assembly of BAPTIST STUDENT.

Man's first need is a new heart.—The only way to have a new heart is through the grace of God in Christ. In the unregenerate heart, there is the very poison of spiritual death which may break out in deceit, death, lust, adultery, murder, pride, rebellion, iniquity of every sort. One's life is made ugly and unclean because of the lurking power of evil in his heart. It is this condition which makes clear the urgent need for the renewal of grace, the cleansing of forgiveness, the liberation of redemption, the reconciliation of the cross of Christ. The desperate predicament of the human heart cannot be resolved by beautiful rituals or by lofty creeds or even by strong resolutions of earnest souls. There is needed a miracle of grace whereby a person who is penitent and trustful is given a new heart indwelt by the living Christ.

Religion calls for a dynamic

relationship with Christ.—Rituals and ceremonies can never take the place of the quickening Spirit. Life can come only through Christ, who is our life. A person becomes alive in the full sense of moral quality and spiritual purpose by partaking of the nature of God, by being in contact with him who is the giver or eternal life. Christians must constantly search themselves or examine themselves as to the nature of their relationship with Christ. Is this relationship based on meaningful commitment to Christ as Lord? Is it cultivated through quiet meditation, the earnest reading of the Scriptures, and fervent prayer? Is it the constant experience discipline and judgment, of energy and adventure, of assurance and peace? Vital religion means knowing Christ in the power of his resurrection, in the fellowship of His suffering, and in the joy of His strength.

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WORLD MISSIONS WEEK

Suggested Date: April 21-26, 1963

Basic Facts and Plans

The 1963 emphasis in the Baptist Jubilee Advance program is World Missions.

The Baptist Jubilee Advance Committee wanted some special effort in the form of a study. Not wanting to create another week on the denominational calendar they asked to insert this emphasis into the week reserved on the denominational calendar as Church Membership Study Week. However, to remove the date as far as possible from the simultaneous revival program scheduled in March and April, the Church Membership Study Week was placed in April and the traditional April observance of Youth Week was placed in March.

Since Church Membership Study Week has traditionally been promoted by the Training Union Departments as an all-church study, the Committee assigned to the Training Union Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board the responsibility of planning and promoting World Missions Week. Mr. Versil Crenshaw, Director of the Study Course in the Training Union Department, is the individual on whose shoulders this responsibility was placed.

The Committee asked for and received the promise of cooperation of all departments of the Baptist Sunday School Board and of all other agencies of the Southern Baptist Convention in promoting this emphasis. Woman's Missionary Union at the very beginning of the Baptist Jubilee Advance program had planned their regular March emphasis to go along with their 75th Anniversary observance. They will proceed with this but also cooperate fully in this special promotion.

A series of special textbooks have been commissioned for this week. The books for Juniors, Intermediates, Young People and Adults will carry credit in Category 10 of the Church Study Course.

Nursery—My Family, Elsie Rives and Hazel Rowe Luck.
Beginner—Helping Others Learn About Jesus, Marjorie M. Stith.
Primary—God Loves Everybody, Jester Summers.
Junior—Keep Telling The Story, Roberta Ryan.
Intermediate—Missions and Me, Ivyloy and Amelia Bishop.
Young People—Missions... Today, Ross Coggins.
Adults—Christianity and World Religions, Luther Cope-land.

New Mexico Buys Land For Camp

HOBBS, N. M. (BP) — The Mission Board of the Baptist Convention of New Mexico has bought 160 acres of land for a camp for Baptist men and boys.

It is located near Cloudcroft, N. M., in the southern part of the state. The tract is bounded on three sides by a national forest. Cost of the 160 acres was \$29,000.

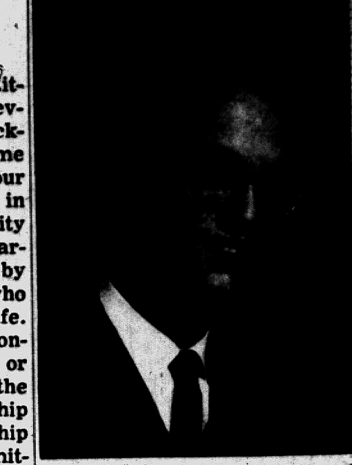
The mission board also will permit the spending of \$5,000 to get the camp ready to use this summer.

State Baptist Brotherhood Secretary H. C. Sivells of Albuquerque said a pioneer camp is planned. Campers will sleep in tents. The Brotherhood and Royal Ambassador (men and boys) Committee of the board will be in charge of developing the camp.

Furman Starts \$30 Million Campaign

GREENVILLE, S. C. (BP) — Plans for the first phase of a long-range \$30 million fund-raising campaign for Furman University (Baptist) here were announced.

Beginning immediately, a \$2 million campaign is being launched in Greenville County to provide a student center and two additional wings to the university. Furman is a Baptist university.



Rev. Jerry File

Short Creek Licenses Minister

On Sunday morning, December 23, 1962, Gerald (Jerry) File was licensed as a minister of the gospel at Short Creek Church, his home church in Yazoo County. That night he preached his first sermon there.

Jerry, a native of Gulfport, graduated from Bentonia High School in 1960 and from Hinds Junior College in 1962. Following his graduation he was married to Helen Neely at the Short Creek Church on May 26. They have since made their home in Jackson, where Mrs. File is employed as secretary of the West Jackson Baptist Church. Jerry was temporarily employed there before enrolling at Mississippi College for the second semester.

Jerry is a brother of Rev. Stanley A. File, who pastored several churches in Mississippi before going to Renton, Washington, where he is now pastor of Trinity Baptist Church of Renton.

Jerry is the first minister licensed by the Short Creek Baptist Church of Yazoo County. Rev. R. B. McNear is pastor at Short Creek.

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MISSION SEED SOWN IN '62 BEAR FRUIT IN '63 GIFT

DECATUR, Ga. (BP)—The Biblical law that one reaps what he sows was fulfilled here on the positive side when the first gift for the 1963 Annie Armstrong offering for home missions came from seed sown during the 1962 emphasis.

Century old First Baptist Church of Decatur, a mother and grandmother of a number of missions and churches in this heavily-populated section of Georgia, awoke last year to new responsibilities in nearby institutions.

The "awakening was a part of the study of "Glimpses of Glory," one of the mission study books for the annual home mission emphasis, sponsored by the Woman's missionary Union.

The book tells of the birth of the Southern Baptist 30,000 movement, and is written by the founder and present director of the project, C. C. Warren of Charlotte, N. C.

Pastor Dick Hall participated in some of the study sessions. He found an awareness of the need and an enthusiasm to meet it. He extended some of the presentations church wide. Other organizations were enlisted within the church.

A staff member was assigned to guide in developing a ministry to people in institutions who could not go to church. The Brotherhood made a survey to discover what institutions needed a spiritual ministry, and eventually the church started five such missions.

W.M.U. accepted tasks. One of these was at the Emory Convalescent Home, and the Woman's Missionary Union accepted the assignment. Four teams were formed, with one team going each Sunday to conduct the service.

The response of those at the home was reward enough for those who presented the services. "It sounds just like home," one said. "It's the best thing that happens here," another remarked.

A church member who teaches the piano, and visits, "It's the most worthwhile

thing I do. It is definitely not a duty; it is a privilege. They need a message of love and comfort—that God hasn't forgotten them."

The owner of the home, definitely pleased with the project, wanted to do something in appreciation for what the church's ministry had meant to the people in the home. Thus came the check designated for the home mission offering for 1963.

But it's a toss up as to who receives the biggest blessing, those ministering or those receiving.

Three From States Lecture In Mexico

Three Southern Baptist leaders from the United States delivered a series of lectures in Mexico January 6-11 for more than 50 Mexican Baptist pastors, members of local church building committees, officials of the National Baptist Convention of Mexico, and Southern Baptist missionaries. The sessions were held at First Baptist Church, Mexico City.

W. A. Harrell, secretary of the Church Architecture Department of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, spoke on "The Relations of the Church Building to Sunday School Growth." L. E. Coleman, Sr., associate secretary of the Southern Baptist Brotherhood Commission, spoke on "The Place of the Layman in the Work of the Church."

David Cheavens, professor of journalism at Baylor University, Waco, Tex., spoke on "The Public Relations of a Baptist Church." (Mr. Cheavens is the son of former Southern Baptist missionaries to Mexico.)

The guest speakers were secured for the conference by Roy L. Lyon, Southern Baptist missionary who is director of city missions for the Mexican Convention.

Neglected Power

By Rev. Norman Deaton, Pastor
Lowrey Memorial, Blue Mountain

Suppose the United States, with its great nuclear capability, becoming involved in an all-out war with another H-bomb-equipped nation, should say, "Oh, it's too much trouble to arm our nuclear warheads and fire our rockets. Of course, they're shooting at us with such, but let's just fight back with sticks and mudballs!" That would be lunacy, wouldn't it? To have weapons of fantastic power and in a war for survival be too lazy to use them would be pathetic and idiotic. But I know something more pathetic than that!

The forces of God are involved in an all-out spiritual conflict with Satan, which makes nuclear war look like a slingshot fight. The Christian has an unbelievably potent weapon, prayer. It is as limitless as the might of God himself. It is so mighty that Paul, listing the believer's armor and weaponry in Ephesians, can find nothing in the Roman arsenal with which to compare it. If he were writing today, he might liken it to a nuclear missile. For you can pray in faith for a missionary half a world away, and instantaneously God accomplishes mighty things out there. It is as if Jesus has given us blank checks on the Bank of Heaven, with His signature on them, and has said, "Come and ask freely. There is no limit, except that you ask in accord with the Father's good purposes."

Yet not one Christian in twenty, or perhaps in a hundred, knows how to pray effectively! And very few believers consistently come to God in powerful, prevailing, believing prayer, winning the victories to which He invites us! We foolishly rely on the feeble resources and strategies of man, rather than the infinite, supernatural power of God. Satan knows that the Christian has a weapon that will assure victory, if it is ever brought into use. So he works more desperately to cause us to neglect prayer than anything else. If he can hinder us here, he can defeat our most well-intended efforts for God. Jesus was not merely making idle talk when He said, "Without Me ye can do nothing." Jesus wrote, "You don't get what you want because you don't ask God for it." (James 4:4, Phillips' translation) John Wesley said, "God does nothing but in answer to prayer." There was a time that I did not take those Scriptural statements at face value, and I thought Wesley a little extreme. But countless failures of my human evangelistic efforts and well-meant but prayerless plans have demonstrated that nothing of lasting spiritual value is accomplished without earnest, believing prayer. "The arm of flesh will fail you; ye dare not trust your own."

I talked the other day to a college student who had recently made the exciting discovery that God could be for her a prayer-answering God. All her life she had heard about believing prayer, but had never before gotten far enough out on the limb of trust to "ask in faith, nothing wavering." (James 1:6) Now she was determined that this exhilarating experience would become a day-by-day feature of her prayer life. Would that all who know Christ would make this discovery, and employ the potent weapon of prayer in their daily battles for Christ. The assault on the strongholds of Satan would be irresistible! "Moreover, as for me, God forbid that I should sin against the Lord in ceasing to pray for you!" (1 Samuel 12:23)

A missionary should be a Christian characterized by radical obedience, an obedience that will sometimes make him seem strange to some other people. This obedience does not ask, "What is going to

happen to me?" It asks only, "What does my Lord want me to do?" — Baker J. Cauten, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board.



GAs of First Church, Hattiesburg, put on a cat-chy skit before 1200 sister GAs from all over South Mississippi on Saturday, February 2, Hattiesburg, First Church, played host to the area GA Rally which was an all-day affair. Becky Rowden was the spokesman for the skit and is shown above pointing out various aspects of interest in the GA Fiftieth Anniversary year. From left to right, the players are: Susie Weilett, Barbara Tyner, Jane Bradley, Becky Rowden, Ann Marie Freeman, Polly Wright, Connie Benedict and Lynn Adkinson.



Disciples' Giving Up \$1.5 Million During Year

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. (EP)—Disciples of Christ gave a total of \$88,901,996 in this fiscal year ending June 30 for the denomination's work in this country and abroad, an increase of about \$1.5 million dollars over the previous year, according to the 1962 Yearbook of Christian Churches published here.

Speakers Named For S. S. Week

NASHVILLE — Speakers for Sunday School Leadership Conferences this summer at Glorieta (N. M.) and Ridgecrest (N. C.) Baptist Assemblies have been announced by Dr. A. V. Washburn, secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board's Sunday School Department.

Dates and preachers for the two Glorieta Sunday School Leadership Conferences are:

June 27-July 3—Dr. T. A. Patterson, Executive Secretary of Baptist General Convention of Texas, Dallas. July 4-10—Dr. James Riley, pastor, Second Baptist Church, Houston.

Dates and preachers for the three Ridgecrest Sunday School Leadership Conferences are: July 18-24—Dr. Gordon Clinard, Professor of preaching, Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, July 25-31—Dr. Winston C. Galloway, secretary for the Orient, Foreign Mission Board, Richmond; August 1-7—Dr. James Belote, president of Hong Kong Baptist Theological Seminary. For reservations, write to:

Mr. E. A. Herron, Glorieta Baptist Assembly, Glorieta, N. M. or Mr. Willard K. Weeks, Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, Ridgecrest, N. C.

Edwards Calls J. S. Johnson

Rev. J. S. Johnson will begin his ministry with the Edwards Church Sunday, February 10, coming from the pastorate of Sunrise-Zion Hill Church, near Hattiesburg.

Rev. Johnson received his education at Central High, Jackson, Mississippi College (with special distinction), and New Orleans Seminary. He was licensed to preach by Calvary Church, Jackson, and ordained by Highland Church, Jackson. He is married to the former Mary Sue Latham of Tunica. They have three children.

In addition to pastorates in Mississippi, Rev. Johnson served as a summer student missionary in 1953 for the Home Mission Board.

Gospel Zeal Is Held as Greatest Deterrent To Communism

MIAMI, Fla. (RNS) — Military and economic force can resist communism, but they cannot overcome it, former Minnesota Congressman Walter Judd said here.

Only a matching zeal and knowledge of an opposing faith can defeat the Red menace, the onetime medical missionary to China told 1,200 delegates at the closing session of the National Sunday School Association convention.

Dr. Judd said communism, like all important movements throughout history, has its "scriptures" and principles which need to be studied so that it can be understood and intelligently opposed.

But Christians, through their Sunday schools, need to build a devotion to the Gospel which alone can really overcome communism, he said.

Meanwhile, a leader of one of the 35 workshops held here indicated churches are losing too many young people at the stage when they need to be strengthened most against communism and other evils of our day.

Dr. Roy B. Zuck, director of the research commission of the NSSA, said that a national survey he had completed shows that 17 per cent of the boys and girls in evangelical churches drop out entirely from the church program between the ages of 12 and 19.

The drop-outs, he said, listed three principal reasons—there is not enough for them to do in church; they regard too many of their adult leaders as "phonies" who don't live up to what they say in church; and too often they find Sunday school lessons and sermons boring.

Doesn't "Send" Me. "It doesn't send me," was the comment of a 15-year-old California girl about the program of the church she had left, according to Dr. Zuck.

themselves for lack of interest in spiritual things.

Youths who quit church dislike Sunday school more than any other part of the church program, but dull sermons run a close second, Dr. Zuck found. Church youth camps constituted the only activity which won general approval.

Sixty per cent of the drop-outs occur in churches with less than 150 members, the survey showed, and 58 per cent occur in suburban rather than rural or inner-city churches.

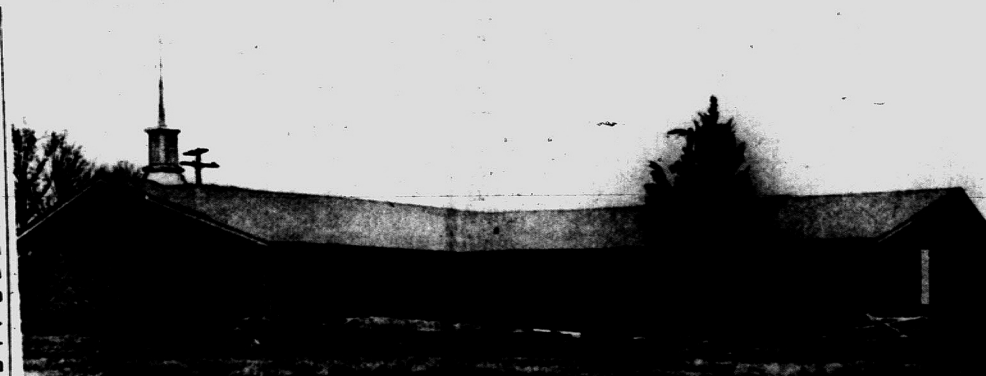
Training Union Article Gives Jewish Emphasis

NASHVILLE — An understanding and appreciation of Jewish communities by Southern Baptists is the motive behind an article which "The Baptist Training Union Magazine" will carry in April.

In that issue of the magazine, published by the Sunday School Board, Dr. Bertram Korn has written "The American Jewish Experience." The article describes a significant but little known phase of American history. It does this by comparing American Jewish experiences to those of other cultures.

Dr. Korn, a commander in the U. S. Navy Reserve chaplaincy Corps, manifests a deep appreciation for this nation, for the elements that helped to form it and for the product lasting to this day.

"The magnificent achievements of notable American Jews in every field of human endeavor — of men like Jonas Salk, Albert Sabin, Albert Einstein, Louis Brandeis, Benjamin Cardozo, Leonard Bernstein, Bernard Baruch, and Julius Rosenwald, to name only a few have been possible only because a free climate, nourished them," he says. Dr. Korn has written six volumes on American Jewish history, particularly that in the Civil War.



Meadowview, Starkville, Dedicates Sanctuary

The new Meadowview Church, Starkville, had dedication services on Sunday, February 3, at 2:30 p.m. for their new building, pictured above.

The dedication service was followed by open house. A vesper service was held at 6:00 P. M. at which time the ordinance of the Lord's Supper was observed.

The Meadowview congregation

Baylor Receives Church-State Studies Gift

Baylor University's J. M. Dawson Studies in Church and State recently received a check for \$5,000 from the southern jurisdiction of the Supreme Council of Scottish Rite Masons.

In a letter to Baylor professor Dr. James Wood, director of the church-state studies, Luther A. Smith, Sovereign Grand Commander of the Southern Scottish Rite Masons, said "This is another contribution to further the cause of education in the area of church-state separation to which Baylor University is making such a fine contribution."

Beam Circulation Jumps 20,000

FORT WORTH, Tex.—Circulation of the Beam, monthly magazine of Southern Baptists' Radio and Television Commission, jumped 20,000 during 1962, editor Virgil Hensley said today.

Total circulation now stands at 47,500. A goal of 75,000 Beam subscribers has been set for 1963. Virtually all of the magazine's promotion efforts and sales are accomplished by direct mail.

held their first services in the modern, centrally heated, completely air-conditioned, church on Sunday, December 30, 1962.

The church's auditorium will seat 350, with educational space for an equal number. There is a large social area which can be used for recreation, and a completely furnished kitchen. There are three nurseries suitably furnished for babies of each age group.

The baptistry is concrete with ceramic tile covering. The building is of concrete block construction with brick veneer

Baylor Schedules Conference On Church-State

WACO, Tex. — Baylor University's J. M. Dawson Studies in Church and State will feature Dr. William Lee Miller as principal speaker for its annual spring lectures March 18-21.

The theme for this year's conference will be "The Role of Church and State in Free Society." Several seminars are also planned for the conference.

"Church, State and Education" will be the special theme March 19. There will be a 2 p.m. seminar on "Church Schools and Public Funds" and a 7:30 p.m. seminar on "Religion in the Public Schools." Seminars and lectures are open to the public.

The unprecedented co-operation being maintained among seven Baptist bodies in North America because of the 1962-64 Baptist Jubilee Advance Program will likely continue beyond 1964 as a result of action taken by the Joint Baptist Jubilee Advance Committee.

exterior. It contains over 6000 feet of floor space.

The present deacons are: J. S. Vickers, Chairman, Tom Cook, Hugh Duncan, Hubert Stephens, R. C. Johnston, and Charles Vaughan.

The Building Committee includes: J. S. Vickers, Elwood Hodgins, Hubert Stephens and Hugh Duncan.

The Building Finance Committee: Charles Vaughan, Chairman, John Paul Moore, Ed Buckner, Tom Cook and R. C. Johnston.

The Furnishings Committee: Mrs. Frances Hodgins, Mrs. Bessie Bolen, Ed Buckner, Tom Cook, and J. S. Vickers.

Rev. Guy C. Futral is pastor.

APPLEGATE TO SPEAK AT EAST CORINTH

Rev. D. C. Applegate, pastor of First Church of Starkville and first vice-president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, will be the featured speaker at East Corinth church's second annual Forward Program Loyalty Dinner.

Scheduled Thursday evening, February 21, the Loyalty Dinner will take place at the Graham Cafeteria in Corinth and will spotlight the 1963 theme, "Sharing Christ With The Whole World."

Use of Forward Program materials and other stewardship and missions emphases at East Corinth resulted in an 11% gain in total offerings and a 10% increase in missions gifts during 1962 over the previous year, and helped enable the church to retire its entire building indebtedness.

Rev. John M. Wilkes is pastor.

Lima Church Occupies New Building

Ebenezer Baptist Church, in the Miraflores suburb of Lima, Peru, inaugurated its new two-story building last fall, "in the center of one of the finest residential sections of Lima," says Mrs. F. David Stull, Southern Baptist missionary and wife of the pastor.

On the street level is the

large auditorium, containing baptistry and choir loft, and the church office. Underneath are classrooms, a large hall for banquets, receptions, and church dinners, and a kitchen. The old church building next door has been turned into educational space.

Nearly 500 people attended the dedication service for the new building on October 7. The main message was delivered by Dr. Federico Munoz, of the Maranatha Church, Lima, and special music was provided by choirs from four churches.

SBC Unit for Adults Planned In T. U. Magazine

NASHVILLE — The Training Union Department of the Sunday School Board has prepared a special unit on "Your Southern Baptist Convention," included in adult quarterlies for April, May and June, 1963.

The second quarter issues of "Baptist Adults" and "Baptist Young Adults" will provide discussion material on these five questions:

1. What theological concepts are involved in the organization and policy of the Southern Baptist Convention?
2. What do we mean by "autonomy" of Baptist bodies?
3. What is the scope of the work of the Southern Baptist Convention?
4. What are some of the problems facing the annual meeting of the convention in 1963 in Kansas City?
5. How can Baptist practice "unity in diversity?"

Herschel H. Hobbs, convention president from Oklahoma City, has written the special materials. Leonard Hill, Nashville production editor of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee, has prepared discussion plans for the study.

Aquilla Chamlee Dies in Georgia

ATLANTA, Ga. (BP)—Aquila Chamlee, former president of Tift College, died in Fort Valley, Ga., at age 93. Death came from natural causes.

Dr. Chamlee had lived in Fort Valley since retiring as Tift President in 1936. He was president of the Baptist Women's College 17 years.

Five Students Receive Loan- Scholarships

NASHVILLE (BP) — Five students have been awarded the first loan-scholarships from the Education Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention here.

Each of the five has attended a Baptist college. The estates of Mrs. M. May Robertson and Joseph L. Shepard provided the funds from which the loan-scholarships come. The estates are administered by the Southern Baptist (Convention) Foundation.

Students who receive them plan to teach in Southern Baptist colleges. They use the money to study for their doctor's degrees. They repay the loan-scholarships by teaching in denominational schools, according to Rabun L. Brantley, Nashville, Commission executive secretary.

The five students getting the first funds are: John Burton, son of Joe W. Burton, Nashville, Editor of Home Life, and secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention; Walter B. Thompson, Atlanta; Kenneth Lee Fox, Logan Wright, Tulsa, Okla., and Miss Gladys Bryant, Greenville, S. C.